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ASSEMBLY CENSURES VICEROY'S COUNCIL

Congress Party's Cut Motion Passed

BHULABHAI DESAI'S ALL-OUT ATTACK

"I AM PREPARED TO RISK LOSING FREEDOM RATHER THAN CALL YOU PATRIOTS", HE SAYS

NEW DELHI, March 9.

By 61 votes to 53, the Central Assembly passed the Congress Party's cut motion to censure the Executive Council and to refuse them supplies.

Mr. Abdul Qaiyum initiated the debate on the Congress Party's censure motion against the Government of India, that the demand under the Executive Council be reduced to Re. one.

Irresponsible And Irremovable

In spite of the many promises made, Mr. Qaiyum declared, the present Government of India remained irresponsible and irremovable. The vote of censure was not merely against the Government of India but in a way it was a vote of censure against H. M. G. whose agents were the Government of India. The war was said to be waged for democracy and freedom, and yet one fifth of the population of the world was ruled after other patterns. The Government talked of freedom of speech, freedom of conscience and other freedoms, and yet national leaders like Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru and Maulana Abul Kalam Azad who had the courage to ask the rulers to quit India, in order that India might have freedom were put in jail. The Government spent over 400 crores as military expenditure, and yet the country had no voice in it. He condemned the policy of despatching Indian troops overseas and importing foreign troops into India. The performance of the Government in the sphere of agriculture and industrialisation of the country was a failure, nor had the country any voice in the management of her own currency. He criticised what he called "the malicious and tendentious" propaganda in the United States against India.

TRIBAL AREAS BOMBED

Mr. Abdul Qaiyum denounced the Government for the bombing operations in the Tribal Area. As far back as 1935, the House had expressed itself against resorting to bombing in the Frontier Province. He had recently seen a report that the tribal areas were bombed for five months and asked whether it was becoming of a civilised Government to resort to such bombing of civilians.

CAROE DEFENDS BOMBING TRIBESMEN.

Sir Olaf Caroe, Foreign Secretary, speaking amidst interruptions from the Opposition strongly defended Government's policy against the tribesmen. The Tribesmen were not British subjects, he pointed out. They consisted of a large number of armed men who sometimes were a considerable nuisance. Frequently very strong pressure had been brought to bear upon Government that something should be done to protect the lives of the unfortunate people, not always Hindus, from kidnappings. Government had to do what they could to protect those lives. Sir Olaf explained that during the war, there had been elements of the enemy in tribal areas, and they endeavoured to embarrass the Government of India by forcing on them the need to tie up troops on the frontier. He asserted that he was not in the least penitent for the use of the airarm against those who were we instigated and inspired by the enemies of India and of the Commonwealth. He regarded such use as entirely justified.

Raising his voice amid shouts from the Opposition, the Foreign Secretary declared that warning had always been given before air operations. Warnings were given through officials and were dropped from the air. It was a well-known practice. It was done on several occasions and always would be done in the tribal area.

Mr. Abdul Qaiyum excitedly remonstrated that he could not stand such statements by Government spokesmen and that he would oppose bombing under all conditions.

RAZA ALI'S CHARGE.

Sir Raza Ali (Muslim League) pointed out that the Executive Council had so far not done anything towards the resolution of the political deadlock. He recalled that in 1916, when the last war entered a difficult phase, Nineteen members of the then Legislative Council submitted certain proposals to the Government of India and what they did at that time could be done by the members of the Executive Council. The Hydari Mission and numerous other missions and delegations, said Sir Raza Ali, had been sent out during the past 18 months to England and America, which showed that they had been taking interest in all matters except resolving the political deadlock. He compared the members to Hamlet, for they were considering, they were thinking, and they were suspicious and doubtful.

Sir Olaf had suggested, said Sir Raza Ali, that bombing in the tribal areas had been undertaken to protect Hindus. This appeared to be an attempt on the part of the External Affairs Secretary to divide the Hindus and the Muslims on the question of bombing of tribal areas. Cases of kidnapping occurred in the largest number in 1921, Sir Raza proceeded, but the Government of India had not bombed the tribal people then, and it was a very far-fetched pretext to say now that Government wanted to protect the unfortunate Hindu girls from Pathans.

Sir Olaf Caroe, interrupting, said that the last thing he had in mind was to draw a communal distinction. His whole idea was that British subjects should be protected from outrages.

Sir Raza Ali: which is the object? Is it protection of Hindus, or protection of British interests.

INTERNMENT OF JAIRAMDAS.

Mr. Lalchand Navalrai (Nationalist) thought that the members of the Executive Council deserved censure both for their collective and individual irresponsibility and acts of commission and omission. They should have at least given their honest and conscientious advice, he pointed out, to the British Government and the Viceroy for resolving the political deadlock. Indian members in particu-

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Patton Fanning Out On Coblenz

Bridgehead South Of Cologne Reinforced.

PARIS (S.H.A.E.F.), March 9.

The situation of German troops in Northern Eifel between Bonn and Coblenz has become so disorganised that the First and Third armies are releasing only most sketchy details, hoping to trap great numbers who obviously do not know what roads are open or Rhine crossings are available, writes Reuter's special correspondent.

General Patton's Fourth Armoured Division which fanned out on the Coblenz plain between Mayen and Coblenz is clearing several places. Men and material are flowing into the Rhine bridgehead, south of Cologne. The Germans have blown up the Bonn bridge and the first divisions have pushed through the city to the Rhine, but large pockets of resistance remain. Three fourths of Bad Godesberg has been cleared.

So has Xanten to the north but the Germans are holding the Wesel bridgehead most fiercely.

General Hodges' United States First Army troops have captured several German towns and villages on the east bank of the Rhine, south of Cologne, a Reuter despatch from the First Army Front said this afternoon.

The attack was reported going well against light opposition and the bridgehead has been substantially expanded in the past 24 hours.

NEW U.S. ARMY

A new United States Army—the Fifteenth—has gone into action as part of the Twelfth Army Group, said an N.B.C. report from the West Front today. The Twelfth Army Group which is commanded by General Omar Bradley comprises also the First and Third United States Armies.

The Rhine bridge at Remagen has been captured intact and Erpel on the east bank of the Rhine has been captured, said a C.B.S. reporter broadcasting from the First United States Army H.Q. today. The Remagen bridgehead is reported now to be at least five miles deep and ten miles wide.

70 MILES FROM FRANKFURT

Reuter's military correspondent in London adds: The Rhine bridgehead now, it is believed, extends from the crossing point at Remagen to a point on the main motor road from Cologne, Montabaur, Limburg and Frankfort. The First Army armour is here 50 miles from Wiesbaden, 60 miles from Mainz and 70 miles from Frankfurt.

The Germans have constructed a number of large aircraft, some two-and-four-engined and some jet-propelled, which have no immediate strategic purpose in the battle, but which they might use as terror weapons against Britain and other areas behind the front. This moment appears to have come. We need temper our elation with preparedness.

Nazi Commandos Raid Normandy Port

S.H.A.E.F. (Paris), March 9.—A nuisance raid by a small number of German Commandos presumably from Channel Islands was made at 1.15 a.m. today on the Port of Granville on the Normandy Coast.

Some damage was caused. Casualties were suffered by both sides and a small number of prisoners were taken by the raiders.

Reuter adds, Granville is 25 miles over the bay from Saint Malo and 32 miles from Jersey, the nearest of Channel Islands.

GEN. SPAATZ IN BERNE
Assurance To Swiss On Prevention Of Bombing

BERNE, March 9: Gen. Karl Spaatz, Commander-in-Chief of the United States Strategic Air Forces, have arrived here for discussions with the Swiss Government and the army in order to prevent repetition of the violation of Swiss neutrality and bombing by Allied aircraft.

According to Swiss reports Spaatz announced that pilots responsible for the Swiss bombing would be punished and that new measures would be taken to prevent a repetition of such incidents.—Reuter.



Lt. Col. C. K. Nayudu, the veteran Indian cricketer, was presented a purse of Rs. 18,000 at an evening party held in his honour by the Cricket Club of India at the Governor's Pavilion, Brabourne Stadium, on Thursday evening. He is seen here addressing the gathering. On his left is Sir H. P. Modi, President of the club.

FALL OF MANDALAY IMMINENT

Indian Division Penetrates Fort Dufferin

ADV. HQ. ALF SEA, Mar. 9.

The fall of Mandalay is expected any hour, writes Donagh MacDonagh, A. P. I. war correspondent. As the 19th Indian Division drives deeper into the town, the Japanese defenders seem to be in a quandary. They are tossing their troops here and there to meet the real potential threats as they appear.

INTO FORT DUFFERIN

Latest unconfirmed reports state that the advancing troops have penetrated into Fort Dufferin, the military stronghold in the centre of the town, and also the Race Course which lies between Mandalay Hill and Fort Dufferin.

If this is true, it would mean that the Japanese, who are resisting strongly on the hill, are in danger of being cut off from the Japanese Garrison in the town itself.

West of Mandalay, in the face of heavy artillery fire the British second Division and the Indian 20th Division have advanced one mile. They captured a village, which was one of the main centres of Japanese activity against the bridgehead forces and was strongly held.

In the Lashio area, Chinese troops have moved two miles south of the town on the Lashio-Hsipow road. Other troops are advancing southwards west of Lashio.

Generals' Escape

Though all the Japs were cleared from Lashio yesterday they are still proving troublesome, says a press note from Hq. U. S. Forces. To-day Lt.-Gen. Dan I. Sultan and Lt.-Gen Sun Li-Jen were making an inspection trip of the famous town when Jap artillery, from positions south of the hill, fired several rounds into the city. One round landed about 35 yards from the Generals. Neither was hurt and neither winced but kept on with the inspection.

MANDALAY CANAL CROSSED

To-day's S. E. A. C. 'Communique' adds:

North-east of Mandalay our troops have crossed the Mandalay Canal and are in contact with the enemy.

In the Meiktila area there was active patrolling. On the Second British and Twentieth Indian Division fronts, south of the Irrawaddy and west of Mandalay, further progress was made in the face of strong opposition.

Fifteenth Indian Corps: Indian troops were engaged in fierce fighting against enemy troops holding features in the Tamandu area.

Heavy bombers have made a two-day attack on Japanese shipping in the Bay of Bengal, destroying three vessels and setting fire to others.

SUPER-FORTS BOMB TOKYO & YOKOHAMA

NEW YORK, March 9.—The Japanese radio reported that the Tokyo-Yokohama area was raided by at least fifty super-fortresses between midnight and 01.00 hours on Saturday (Tokyo time). Fires are burning in several parts of the city, the report added.—Reuter

When Empire Did Not Dissolve

45-Year-Old Story Of How Churchill Won Wager

NEW YORK, March 9: Prime Minister Churchill, who in November 1942 said he had not become King's First Minister to "preside over the liquidation of the British Empire," won a bet of 100 pounds sterling on the Empire indissolubility while in America in 1901, it was disclosed by a bookdealer today.

In a contract made in Minneapolis, Churchill, then a newspaper correspondent on a lecture tour, wagered James Caleton Young, Minneapolis book lover, 100 pounds that the Empire would not be substantially reduced within 10 years of that date.

The British author Richard le Gallienne, father of the Actress Eava le Galliene, witnessed the contract.

John Fleming, manager of a book firm which bought the document from Young's estate said the wager was paid.

The agreement stipulated that "substantially reduced" meant the loss of one-quarter of India, Canada or Australia.—A. P. A.

REDS CUT DANZIG AREA IN TWAIN

HITLER ON ODER FRONT SURVEYS "MORALE OF GERMAN TROOPS"

MOSCOW, March 9: The German pocket in the Danzig area has been cut in two by thesuccess announced in Marshal Stalin's 'Order of the Day' tonight. This is the capture of Stolp by Marshal Rokossovsky's forces.

THE GERMAN OVERSEAS NEW AGENCY ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT HITLER HAS VISITED THE ODER FRONT. "HE HAS CONVINCED HIMSELF OF THE MORALE OF GERMAN TROOPS AND OF THE EFFECTIVENESS OF GERMAN DEFENCE MEASURES", THE AGENCY ADDED.

RUSSIANS SMASH INTO KUESTRIN

The German Radio in a broadcast in English today indicated that some Russians had broken into Kuestrin on Central Oder opposite Berlin. "After having been repelled seventeen times one Soviet group reached the edge of the town where a bitter street battle has flared up," it said.

BATTLE FOR STETTIN

The battle for Stettin has begun on land, on sea and in the air with Marshal Zhukov's tanks breaking into Altdamm, four miles east of the port on the east bank of the Oder estuary, wires Reuter's special correspondent. German naval forces are ranging the Stettin lagoon in attempts to give first aid to the German units now being destroyed with their backs to the shore.

The Germans are massing all available craft in the Oder estuary apparently fearing a Soviet attempt to stage crossings on the march and begin a direct assault on Stettin. Other German warships are standing off the coast of the Bay of Pomerania.

IN DANZIG "FREE ZONE"

Marshal Rokossovsky's troops have entered the former Danzig "Free Zone" and are closing in rapidly from the south-west with advanced units in sight of the city. Soviet guns are shelling German strong points on the city's outskirts.

It looks as though Marshal Rokossovsky has decided to go straight for Danzig, leaving Gdynia and the remainder of the trapped German groupings to be attempted to later.

German reports of fighting on the Berlin front remain unconfirmed.

Today's Berlin communique said: "In the main centre of the great defensive battle in West Prussia enemy armour spearheads penetrated into our positions between Koscierzyna and Preussisch-Stargard and gained further ground to the north. The spearheads were checked between Kartuzy (about 15 miles from Danzig) and Schoeneck."—Reuter.

WITHIN 28 MILES OF BERLIN

LONDON, March 9 (A. P.): Red Army wedges were within 28 miles of Berlin today.

German commentators reported gloomily that "terrific fighting" was taking place all along the central forefront of Berlin, where suicide forces have been sent out to defend the outer ramparts of the capital.

Moscow maintained complete silence on the attacks aimed at Berlin.

ADEN FACES COMPLETE FAMINE

LONDON, March 9: The Colonial Secretary, Mr. Oliver [illegible], replying to an inquiry for information about relief measures in Aden Protectorate told the Commons to-day that Aden was faced with the possibility of complete famine.

Most of the money granted to Aden under supplementary estimate for £300,088 for Colonial and Middle-east services would be spent on purely relief measures such as soup kitchens and importation of food. Some proportion has been spent on loans to farmers to try to improve agriculture. —Reuter.

Rumanian Ex-Premier In British Legation

LONDON: From Reuter's diplomatic correspondent:

British official quarters confirmed to-day that Gen. Nokalai Radescu, Rumanian ex-Premier, had taken refuge in the building of the British Legation in Bucharest.

Gen. Radescu resigned the Prime Ministership after Moscow radio and other Soviet sources had alleged that he was anti-democratic.

Czech Premier Leaves For Home

LONDON, March 9.—The first members of the Czechoslovak Government to return home left Britain by air to-day.

The party will travel to Moscow and wait there till they are joined by the remaining members of the Government, including President Benes, who will be leaving shortly. The Prime Minister, Dr. Jan Sramek was in to-day's party.

SITADEVI GIVES BIRTH TO SON

(From Our Correspondent.)

BARODA, March 9.

All offices and schools observed to-day holiday in honour of Maharani Sitadevi's giving birth to son.

Opposition Walks Out Again In Bengal Assembly

CALCUTTA March 9.

The voting of the Bengal Government's supplementary budget estimate for the current year amounting to Rs. 65 crores concluded in the Bengal Legislative Assembly to-day with empty opposition benches. The Opposition withdrew from the House to-day also for the third day complaining of lack of opportunity for reasonable debate.

Allied Attempt To Land On Mindanao

LONDON, March 3.—The Tokyo Radio to-day said that United States troops have landed on the south-western tip of Mindanao. The landing was made at Zamboanga early Thursday morning.

The Tokyo Radio said early to-day that warships had been bombarding Zamboanga on the south-western tip of Mindanao since early Thursday, and it was "believed to be a prelude to a landing attempt".

Argentine Given Option To Decide Future Course

MEXICO CITY March 9: When the final plenary session of the Inter-American Conference closed last night the question of Argentina's participation in Pan-American affairs was left open leaving Argentina the option of deciding on her future course.

A resolution approved by 20 nations taking part in the conference expressed the desire that Argentina might find it possible to demonstrate her adherence to principles and declarations approved there.

LONDON March 9: The main force of a 1,000-plane American bombing formation to-day plastered Kassel, German industrial city, which was left more than 60 per cent destroyed after British bombers left it last night.

STOP PRESS

German General And Staff Captured

THIRD ARMY H. Q., March 9: The Rhine towns, Andernach and Brohl, north-west of Coblenz and also the road centre of Mayen have been captured. Tank men have captured the General commanding a German division and his entire staff. They have also rounded up more than 3,000 prisoners. The German defeat by the Third Army west of the Rhine is officially described as "complete collapse".

LATEST COMMERCIAL

COTTON (JULY).

New York, March 9.

Previous Closing	21.74
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NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE.

New York, March 9.

New York Stock Exchange opening prices:—

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Anaconda Copper Mining dol. 32-1/2.

United States Steel Common dol. 63-3/4.

United States Steel Preference unquoted.—Reuter.

PROSPECTS OF REVOLT IN GERMANY

Sixty Per Cent Population Today Is Anti-Nazi, Say Liberated French Prisoners Of War

PARIS, March 8.

French war prisoners, liberated from camps in Germany by the American advances stated that a revolution of the German people would be certain if it was not prevented by rabid Nazi party members who are endeavouring to put off the day of punishment by brushing any sign of revolt with great force.

The prisoners said that "town populations have reached the end of their endurance and at least 60 per cent of the Germans are now anti-Nazi and clamouring for immediate peace."

One prisoner from the region of Krefeld said: "The situation is extremely serious. Postal service has been suppressed and civilians are not allowed to make trips of over twentyfive kilometers without a special police authorisation. Trains are practically non-existent while gasoline is unobtainable.

All trucks run with coal gas. I saw one soldier putting gasoline into his motor drop by drop with an oil can. Often one can see one truck pulling two or three others to save gasoline."—U. P. A.

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Bertrand Russell Says Dominion Status Is Futile Because India Will Quit Empire

(From Our Correspondent)

LONDON, March 5.

Cambridge students were at their best to-night when they had crowded the Ampitheatre of one of their local colleges to listen to Mr. Bertrand Russell Practically every Indian student at Cambridge was there They were joined by other Indian students who had made special journeys from London, Oxford and Leeds

Mr. Russell aptly chose the platform of the Cambridge University India Majlis to speak to his young audience on the future of India. It was his first public speech on India since his arrival at the Trinity College. In the chair was Mr. Dhelip Sen who is doing his law, and whose father Mr. Dhirendra Sen is a member of the Bengal Legislative Assembly. Mr. Dhelip Sen, as President of the Majlis, introduced Mr. Russell as the greatest philosopher who is known, respected and loved by all.

"I asked Mr. Russell to come to speak to us", Mr. Sen added, "because of his deep sympathy for the oppressed and for his fight for their liberation from domination. He has watched with great sympathy and concern India's progress in this fight for freedom that will release 400 000 000 Indians from the chain of imperialism that binds them."

Mr. Sen had a tilt at another philosopher—obviously at Dr. C. E. M Joad—when he said: "Still unlike another philosopher, Mr. Russell does not think he is a trustee of the nation's brains. Mr Russell's simplicity is his virtue. He has been equally able to keep his mind free from bias and prejudices which vitiate the minds of politicians."

The crowd warmly welcomed this tribute. Mr. Sen concluded amidst a round of another applause. "India has never accepted British domination. She has fought on first with methods of violence. Now with methods of complete non-violence. She has never yielded. She will never yield. The plain truth is that the British are just not wanted there. The British know they can remain in India only by the application of brute force. We Indians know that, too, and we are determined with sympathies or without of you, my English friends, to make an end to all this nonsense."

NOT LIBERAL GOVT.

"We must assume the near future of India as we can get a picture of it in this country from the action of our Government which is not liberal as it should be expected", said Mr. Russell as he rose to speak amidst cheers. Mr. Russell said: "But we must hope to work for it, so that the next general election will give us a new Parliament which could hardly be worse. I hope there will then be a new departure of British policy toward India. We are all agreed that it is impossible to keep up our position in India. Even if it is possible it is neither justified nor desirable. Of course in a war people have to surrender their liberties as we have done in this country. That also applies to India, but as soon as we have got a Government of the people with liberal-mindedness, we can demand that we want a change for the better in India and set to work for that change. I know of the Cripps offer. I know it is still there. I know the offer of Dominion Status as soon as the war is over. But it is not what we want to do. The question is what Indians want. At any rate it is felt by a vast majority of Indians and by many other people, especially by the people of the United States that our promise is not honest that we do not mean to keep up undertaking to Indians. Many people in the United States want an unequivocal, definite and unambiguous declaration for India. Therefore, if I were to take part in the Government, I should announce immediately at a certain date a day 12 months after the end of the Japanese war that we British shall wash our hands of India. I should announce that now, so that Indians may have plenty of time to get together and see how best they can work together."

The speaker continued: "It means the release of political prisoners immediately on the understanding that they won't embark on Civil Disobedience as long as there is a war on. Thus we can prepare the ground for Self-Government. Now what kind of Government for India? I do not think we should be too much hampered by differences in India. After all they are there, everywhere, as they are among our own people. But because we have differences nobody here wants foreigners to settle our own differences. That applies to India. It is for Indians themselves to settle their differences. It is not any of our business. I should, therefore, announce that 12 months after the Japanese war we shall abandon our responsibilities for India. I do not think we ought to insist on Dominion Status. The idea that India should become a dominion is futile and quite contrary to her geographical necessity. Other dominions had historical affinity with us, but India culturally has not and will not belong to us. Her affinity will be with Asiatic countries. Her history and culture are contrary to ours.

RIGHT OF SECESSION

Moreover, it is a pity to ignore one most important factor. It is this that the Dominion Status gives the right to secede and everyone knows Indians will exercise it and use it to quit the Empire. Make no mistake about it. So why should we have this futile process when we know jolly well that India will get out of the Empire. At least you will get a situation similar to Southern Ireland when the Irish were given nominally a Dominion Status, though for all practical purposes this has done no good to anybody Irishmen are outside the Empire except for their passports only which facilitate their coming to Britain.

INTERNATIONAL AUTHORITY

"I do not mean to say that nobody should have responsibility after our decision to abandon India. There ought to be an international authority which will look after the interests of all nations—except of course the big nations which can keep on behaving as badly as they want. This international authority should apply to India primarily to exercise and prevent aggression against other countries. For instance we should use this international authority if Poland goes on an aggressive war against Russia. (Ripple of laughter). We do not want military minorities anywhere seizing power with unconstitutional manner. (More ripple of laughter) If an international authority exists it should intervene in a civil war in India. If such a thing were to happen, the British have no special right to claim or title for intervening

"India belongs naturally to other Asiatic countries rather than western. Her ties with Britain are more artificial than her ties with China. The domination of the White Man over the rest of the world since the Sixteenth Century is coming to an end. It will not go on any more in Asia which is awake. I am convinced of that. Our domination came into being as a result partly of our voyages, partly by a skilful use of commerce and partly as a result of science. As India develops industrially she will also develop as a military power. The era of White domination will not last. It cannot be revived. White domination has made it impossible for a stable world. You cannot have peace in the world secured as long as some people want to keep themselves in power There will be hundred and one injustices in the world as a result of this domination. The other side has a feeling of hatred and contempt for those who dominate. Until you get approximately an equal standard in East and West you cannot go on."

BIG THREE WANT NO WAR

MINNEAPOLIS, March 8.

That the United States as a nation must join with her present allies at the San Francisco conference to build a definite continuing organisation of the United Nations of the world, was affirmed to-night to be the cardinal principle of future American world policy by Commander Harold E. Stassen, former Republican Governor of Minnesota and Member of the United States Delegation to the United Nations conference opening next month at San Francisco.

Explaining his attitude toward the coming conference, Commander Stassen called for simultaneous development of worldwide laws or rules against aggression, for the restriction of armaments, the availability of resources, the advancement of health and education and the prevention of unjust confiscation of property.

While a formation of a police force of some nature to carry out the laws of the United Nations Court with worldwide jurisdiction was necessary, he said this did not mean the creation of an all-powerful international police force.

"If either the United States, Soviet Russia or Great Britain", he said, "decides in the next 25 years to make war then there will be another world war and no organisation or League or Union or treaties will stop it. I do not believe that any of these countries will want to make war. Each knows the horrors of war. Each has so much to gain by not making war. Each has a great future in the peaceful development of its resources and its standing in the world".

No Coup Against Salazar Govt.

LISBON, March 8.—Reports carried by the Peris Radio that a group of high-ranking Portuguese army officers had attempted a 'coup d'etat' against the Salazar Government were declared tonight to be completely without foundation. The situation in Lisbon was quiet and normal.—A.P.A

NO RIFT IN BIHAR LEAGUE

PATNA, March 7: In the course of a statement Mr. Badrud'in Ahmed, Secretary, Bihar Provincial Muslim League contradicts the report appearing in some papers suggesting a rift in the Provincial League. He says there are differences of opinion in all parties and the practice of walkout is vogue in every parliamentary body which does not mean that there is a rift as has been mischievously suggested after the meeting of the Bihar Provincial Muslim League Council last Sunday.—O. P.

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Application Against Hindusthan Newspapers Rejected

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Bhagwati).

Ranchhoddas B. Lotvala .. Plaintiffs.
Versus
The Hindusthan Newspapers Ltd. ..... Defendants.

This was a notice of motion to restrain the defendants from publishing any Marathi weekly under the name of "Chitra", or from obtaining permits for the purchase of newsprint for the said paper. The plaintiff contended that he was the proprietor of a well-known Marathi weekly called "Chitra" which had been printed at the "Advocate of India Press" owned by the defendants. The defendant-company denied that the plaintiff had established even a prima facie title to the said paper.

The plaintiff had under certain circumstances ceased to publish the said paper. The defendants had on 1st February 1945 announced their intention of "Chitra" as a Marathi Weekly from 11th March.

His Lordship was of opinion that the materials now before the Court as to the ownership of the newspaper were on both sides, but that the delay of the plaintiff in making this application disentitled him to relief. His Lordship therefore dismissed the notice of motion with costs but accepted the defendants' undertaking to keep separate accounts, and expedited the hearing of the suit.

Mr. F. J. Coltman and Mr. K. T. Desai instructed by Messrs. Daphtary Pereira and Diwan appeared for the plaintiff. Mr. M. C. Setalvad instructed by Messrs. M. B. Chothia and Co., appeared for the defendants.

Application Against Insurance Company Adjourned

The notice of motion against the Bombay Life Assurance Co., for an Injunction restraining them from increasing the share capital of the Company has been adjourned to Monday by Mr. Justice Bhagwati on the company and its directors undertaking not to proceed with the allotment of the new shares.

Prarthana Samaj 78th Anniversary

The programme for to-day is as under:—7 a.m. Bhajan; 8 a.m., Divine Service by Mr. T. R. Gadre; 3 p.m., Conversational Meeting. Subject: Mission Work; 4-30 p.m., Social Gathering; 5-30 p.m., Bhajan; 6 p.m., Divine Service by Rao Saheb V. S. Sohoni.

Naujavan Party Supports Milk Scheme

At a meeting of the Naujavan Party, Madanpura, under the presidentship of Mr. Mohd. Hashim, a resolution welcoming the Government Milk Scheme was passed. Other resolution demanded that the price-control should be operated "in such a way that every poor man can buy milk according to his needs" and that the price should be between six and eight annas.

Restrictions On Printing Of Cloth

By a notification in the Gazette of India Extraordinary dated 6th March, the Government of India have restricted the activities of those who are engaged in printing of cloth, procurement of cloth for printing and disposal of printed cloth.

The notification provides that no one can acquire a cloth printing machine after the 6th March 1945 and no owner of a printing machine may work it for more than 11 hours a day. Mills and powerloom factories owning a printing machine are prohibited from printing any of the cloth produced by them, nor can they send out their production for machine or hand printing. No such mill or factory, not having a printing machine, can get more than 7 per cent of its total cloth production printed outside, only 5 per cent of its total production being allowed to be hand printed. No owner of a printing machine can purchase cloth for printing, though he is permitted to print cloth on a contract basis. No dealer in cloth can get his cloth printed without the permission of the Provincial or State textile authorities concerned. The notification introduces various restrictions on the kinds of cloth which can be printed and the colours that can be used.

BIG FIRE IN BARISAL

CALCUTTA, March 9.

Damage to the extent of Rs. 50,00,000 was caused by a fire in Barisal on Wednesday night, according to a message received here.

The fire, which was the worst of its kind in living memory razed to the ground about 400 shops and residential houses. Several persons are reported to be missing.—A. P.

Investiture At Govt. House

His Excellency the Governor will hold an Investiture at Government House, Bombay, on Wednesday, April 4, at 9-30 p.m., for recipients of Honours, Titles and Police awards resident in the City of Bombay, the Bombay Suburban District, and the Districts of Ahmedabad, Kaira, Broach, Panch Mahals, Surat, East and West Khandesh, Nasik, Thana and Kolaba. Letters of invitation have been issued to those whom His Excellency proposes to invest.

Any resident in the areas mentioned who has received an award and who wishes to be invested but has not yet received a letter of invitation should apply without delay to the Secretary to the Governor, Government House, Bombay.

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To-day

Hindu: Falgun Vad 11, 2001.
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Sunrise: 7-51 a.m. Sunset: 7-47 p.m.
Hightide: 9-08, 22-57.
Lowtide: 4-11, 15-42.

To-day's Engagements

MUSICAL CONCERT: By Mrs. Lalitha Venkataraman and Party in aid of "South Indian Adult Education Fund" at South Indian High School Hall, Matunga, to-day, at 8-20 p.m.

INDIAN MUSIC at Victoria Gardens, Byculla, Bombay to-morrow (Sunday), from 6-30 to 8-30 p.m. (S. T.), by Sangit Ratna Ebrahim Tan Talwar.

IN AID OF KERALA RELIEF: A Malayalam Drama "The Call of Hunger", and a variety programme will be staged at the Khalsa College Hall, Matunga, today (Saturday), at 8-30 p.m.

BADRUDDIN TAYABJI CENTENARY. The meeting of the citizens, held at the Mayor's office on Thursday evening to consider ways of celebrating the birth centenary of Badruddin Tayabji, appointed the following office-bearers, besides Mr. Nagindas T. Master, the Mayor of Bombay, as Chairman, of the Centenary Committee: Miss P. N. Nariman, Mr. Adam Adil, Mr. Ali K. Munshi and Mr. P. K. Sawant as Secretaries and Mr. Ishwarbhai Patel as Hon. Treasurer.

DADAR-MATUNGA YOUTH ASSOCIATION: Half-yearly General Body meeting to-morrow (Sunday), at 10 a.m., in the Pioneer Middle School, Telang Road, Matunga (G. I. P.).

CONGRESS WORKERS' STUDY CLASS. At the Study Class organised by the Tardeo and Khetwadi Taluka Congress Samitees, Sjt. P. K. Savant, General Secretary of the Bombay Municipal Congress Party, will give a talk on "Congress Workers and Local Self-Government Institutions" to-day (Saturday), at 7-30 p.m. (N. S. T.). This will be the first talk on the subject and sixth talk in the series. All Congress Workers are requested to attend.

INTER-RELIGIOUS CONVENTION: At Sunderabai Hall, to-day (Saturday), at 5 p.m. President: Mr. Sorabji J. Balsara; Prayer by: Dastur A. Bode; Speakers: Prof. Pratapgiri, Prof. Satyavrat Siddhantalankar, Alhrji Moulvi Abdur Rahim Nayyar, Dr. Irach J. S. Taraporewala, Pandit Gopalachari. Announcements and Thanksgiving by: Rao Bahadur C. V. Vijayaraghavachariar. 2nd Session 6-45 p.m. President: Principal Dr. M. B. Rehman. Prayer by: Alhrji Moulvi Abdur Rahim Nayyar. Speakers: Prof. J. C. P. Andrade Prof. Ruchi Ram Sahni, Dr. Kazi Abdul Hamid and Principal Dr. B. C. Ghosh of Calcutta. Announcements and Thanksgiving by: Mr. N. S. Chetty.

YOUNG MEN'S HINDU ASSOCIATION: Annual General meeting and election of the Managing Committee to-day (Saturday) at 4-30 p.m. (N. S. T.), at Anand Bhuvan Hall, Vithalbhai Patel Road and Members' Social which includes Music by Miss Vimal Patki, Deepa Majrekar and Dances by Amonkar sisters.

MR. BAKHALE'S BROADCAST: Mr. R. R. Bakhale will broadcast a talk on the Philadelphia Labour Conference from A. I. R., Bombay to-day (Saturday) from 8-45 to 9-00 p.m. It is scheduled in the series "Planning for the age of Plenty" addressed to University Students. It will be relayed on 244 m.

On Sunday, at 8-45 p.m. Mr. P. C. Sen will give a talk in English on "Japan's Record in Formosa".

LECTURE ON CONGRESS UNITY: A lecture will be held by Dr. T. R. Naravane on 'Unity of Congress Dal' to-day (Saturday), at 9-30 p.m. (New S. T.), at Congress Karyala, Vincent Road, 'F' Ward Dadar, Bombay.

ORIENTAL MUSIC CIRCLE: Musical concert by Master Krishnarao Fulumbrikar, to-day, at 10-30 p.m., at the Marwadi Vidyalaya Hall.

EXHIBITION OF PHOTOGRAPHS: Mr. D. R. D. Wadia's Show University Convocation Hall, 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Special Section: Photographic Studies, Gandhiji. Admission free.

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS: "Reincarnation—How and Why?" will be the subject of a free public lecture to be delivered, at 6-15 p.m. on Sunday, at Jehangir Wadia Building opp. Flora Fountain.

RAHIMTULLAH DISPENSARY: The number of new patients treated at the Mahomedbhoy Rahimtullah Free Dispensary at Sandhurst Road for the week ending 3rd March was 330; of these 215 were males and 115 females.

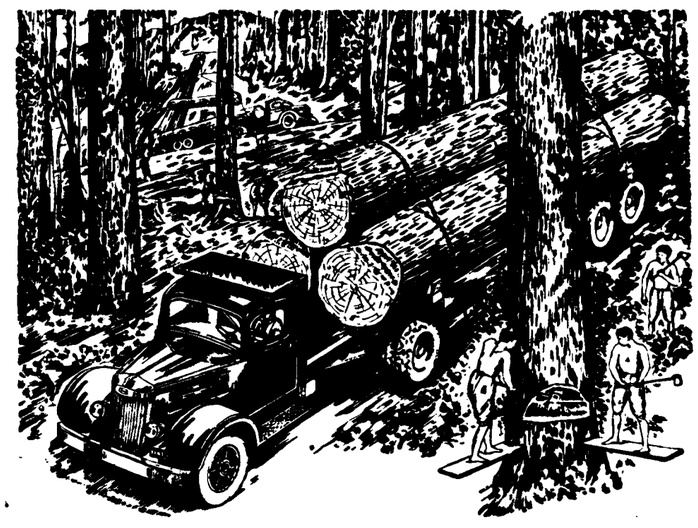
TELEGRAPH NOTIFICATION: With immediate effect telegrams to and from Bulgaria are admitted subject to certain conditions.

"WILSON" FILM FOR STUDENTS: Mr. J. H. Shukla a student of Khalsa College, Matunga writes:—All the students of Khalsa College are requested to see me in connection with seeing the picture "President Wilson" now running at Regal Cinema at concession rates, viz. As ten (10) for ground floor Re. 1/4 for balcony, at 5 p.m. in the College Hall for necessary instructions.

VARIETY ENTERTAINMENT: Under the auspices of the Bant alias Nadova Sangha, a programme of music and dance will be held at 3-30 p.m. on Sunday (March 11) at the Sundarabai Hall, Queen's Road, in aid of the Karnatak Free Night High School. Among the artistes taking part in the performances will be Messrs. K. K. Shetty of Uday Shankar Art Centre, Mihir Kumar, Vikram Singh, J. N. Sharma (dances), Taranath Rao and Chandra Rai (music), Kumaris Shevanthi, Geeta, Raynah and Pamela (dances) and Tarabai Kalle (music).

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Benefit performances in aid of the Homoeopathic College and Hospital Fund, consisting of musical, dramatic and dance items by Bombay's leading artistes, will be staged at Sir C. J. Hall on Saturday, 17th March, at 6 p.m., with the Hon. Mr. M. M. Pakvasa, President of the Legislative Council, in the Chair, and at Sunderbai Hall on Sunday, 25th March at 5 p.m., with Seth Amritlal Kalidas, Vice-President of the Stock Exchange, in the Chair.

To extend the benefit of Homoeopathy and spread its knowledge throughout the City, public meetings have been arranged consisting of talks, followed by music and dance items, at (1) Laxmi Pavilion, Khar, on Sunday, 18th March, with Mr. J. K. Mehta, Secretary of the Indian Merchants' Chamber, in the Chair; (2) Orient High School Hall, Dadar, on Wednesday, 21st March, with Mr. S. K. Patil in the Chair; (3) Khalsa College Hall, Matunga, on Saturday, 24th March, with Mr. K. S. Ramchandra Iyer in the Chair; and (4) Talmakiwadi, Tardeo Road, on Friday, 30th March.

Charitable dispensaries, conducted by the Association, have for many years given relief to the poor of the City. Funds are now being collected for the establishment of a Homoeopathic College and Hospital. This project deserves whole-hearted support from the public of Bombay.

TAKE RATIONS TO PHANDHARPUR

As Pandharpur is a fully rationed town, pilgrims who intend to visit the Adhiki Fair to be held there on March 24 are warned that no food can be supplied to them and they should, therefore, take their own supplies of food with them.

CALCUTTA, March 9: There were seven deaths and six admissions of sick destitutes in Calcutta hospitals yesterday states a press note.





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Bombay's Fourth Win In Ranji Trophy

Denis Compton's Grand Batting For 249 Not Out

By J. C. MAITRA

On the sixth day of play in the Cricket Championship of India, Bombay emerged triumphant by the substantial margin of 374 runs. What had appeared to be complete wreckage for Holkar especially after the dismissal of Mustaq Ali at 221 for 130, Denis Compton, the English Test cricketer turned into a memorable fight. Going in to bat at the fall of the second wicket at 12, he batted with the utmost restraint for a period of 448 minutes to raise the total to 492, himself contributing a grand 249 on his own account. He remained unbeat n till the end while eight of his colleagues went down one by one. Great credit should also go to Rawal who assisted Compton for a period of 83 minutes in a last wicket partnership of 100.

EXHILARATING FEAST OF CRICKET

In anticipation of a gallant and spectacular fight a much bigger crowd turned out at the Brabourne Stadium on Friday than they had done on the two previous days. And they were treated to a most exhilarating feast of cricket. No doubt Holkar lost by a heavy margin. But they fought magnificently till the last. The greatest credit for it is due to Compton who helping Mushtaq to stay the initial rot joined with him to produce 209 runs for the third wicket.

MUSHTAQ ALI'S ACHIEVEMENT

Most people had expected that Mushtaq would hold himself under restraint all along and try to put up a record partnership with his famous English colleague. But unluckily he lost his wicket when he had collected 130 runs in the third wicket partnership of 209. He was at the wicket for 170 minutes and his contribution was illumined by 15 fours. Incidentally he joined the ranks of those two stalwarts, Prof. D. B. Deodhar and Vijay Hazare who have registered a century in each innings of the Ranji Trophy.

B. B. Nimbalkar raised Holkar's hopes to a certain extent by playing a dashing game for an hour during which he hit up 40 runs, including 6 fours, adding 68 for the fourth wicket.

C. K. FAILS AGAIN

Thereafter it was all a miserable show C. K. Nayudu, the visiting Captain, fell again for an insignificant 4. And all those who followed him fared very little better. The ninth wicket was down at 383—5 batsmen being out for an addition of 94 runs only. Were it not for the chivalrous stand given by Rawal, the Holkar innings would have ended much earlier than it actually did.

EXAMPLE OF SELF-SACRIFICE

Compton gave a superb exhibition of batting after he had scored his 50. Upto this time he had only 5 fours to his account. Thereafter he threw all restraint to the winds and punished all the Bombay bowlers mercilessly, hitting as many as 14 fours in the process. In trying to have all the bowling to himself, he was about to be run out thrice. He saved himself by falling flat on the ground every time, but Gaekwad sacrificed himself in the cause of his partner and side. It is a fine example of team-spirit worthy of emulation by all our cricketers.

A GRAND UPHILL FIGHT

No praise can be too high for the grand effort which Compton put up in the match. It was chiefly due to him that the interest in the contest remained till the last ball was bowled. It reminded one of K. C. Ibrahim's great performance in the last Pentangular final in which he carried his bat through from beginning to end and thereby helped his side to win the tournament. Owing to the huge total put up by Bombay in the second innings it was not possible for him to attain the glory which Ibrahim had done, although his contribution is very much bigger than that of the Bombay player.

CONGRATULATIONS TO VIJAY & CO.

Vijay Merchant and his mates deserve all the credit due to a winning Captain and his side. A special meed of praise must be given to Uday Merchant for bringing off 4 fine catches in the second innings which helped his team considerably in working out the downfall of the Holkar XI within measurable distance. This is Bombay's fourth victory in the National Championship, the last one being in 1941. I heartily congratulate the winners on their meritorious success

FRIDAY'S GAME

Mushtaq Ali and Compton, the over-night not-outs with 105 and 55 respectively to their credit resumed the game on Friday, to the bowling of Khot and Tarapore and at 186 Palwankar took over from Khot. 200 were telegraphed. Mushtaq then lifted Tarapore to the country for four and reached his 120. With two fours by Mushtaq, the partnership crossed the 200 mark in 161 minutes.

But Tarapore at last was lucky to bring about the separation. In his ninth over he managed to get Mushtaq touch one of his spinners, and Uday Merchant accepting an edged catch Mushtaq returned to the pavilion. Mushtaq had played a very stylish game and his 120 made in 175 minutes included 15 hits to the boundary. (221—3—130).

Nimbalkar joined Compton who had by this time reached his 70. After 230 Tarapore tempted Nimbalkar out of the crease but Nimbalkar survived the stumping chance as Mantri failed to gather the ball in time.

At 251 new ball was taken and Phadkar and Mody were entrusted with it. Khot and Tarapore replaced them at 280. Compton thereafter completed his century with three on the square leg off Khot, after having played for 230 minutes.

Tarapore thereafter dismissed Nimbalkar by getting him caught in the mid-off by Khot. (286—4—40).

C. K. Nayudu joined Compton but again failed to create any impression. In the last over before lunch Ralji who came to bowl from the pavilion end got him caught in the slips by Uday Merchant—a beautiful one-handed catch.

This brought in C. S. and the pair played out till the game closed for lunch, when the score stood at 294 for five.

40 minutes after lunch, Ralji had his another victim in C. S. Nayudu whom he got caught by Uday in the same way as in the case of C. K. before lunch (328-6-17).

Bhaya came in next but was unfortunate once again. In trying a pull off Ralji to leg he was caught by Mantri behind the stumps (342-7-4).

Jagdale joined Compton and remained at the wickets for about 40 minutes after which he was caught by Uday of Khot (371-8-13).

Gaekwad who was the next man in was soon run out in one of Ralji's overs (383-9-5).

Rawal brought up the rear and Compton reached his 150. In a short while 390 went up, and thereafter Compton with a four of Tarapore hoisted up the fourth century of his side. Bombay bowlers however failed to get their last wicket before tea. The game had become extremely interesting in its last stage, it being all the while Compton's game.

After tea, Compton twice hitting Ralji to boundary raised his score to 190. He reached his double century in a game of 394 minutes during which he hit only eleven fours.

The last pair went on playing merrily, and unimpressed by any bowling changes added 80 before new ball was taken at 463, Phadkar coming to operate with it first. Rawal's ten went up the board after 70 minutes of the game. He gave a magnificent support to his partner who was doing all the scoring.

At 492 however Khot who came to bowl from the pavilion side cleanbowled Rawal and ended the match. Compton remained not out with 249 to his credit. Bombay thus won the Ranji Trophy tournament by 374 runs.

BOMBAY 1st Innings	435
HOLKAR 1st Innings	260
BOMBAY 2nd Innings	764

HOLKAR 2nd Innings

C. T. Sarwate, c V. Merchant, b Mody	8
K. V. Bhandarker, c Cooper, b Phadkar	4
Mushtaq Ali, c Uday, b Tarapore	120
Compton not out	249
Nimbalkar, c Khot, b Tarapore	40
C. K. Nayudu, c Uday, b Ralji	4
C. S. Nayudu, c Uday, b Ralji	17
J. N. Bhave, c Mantri, b Ralji	2
M. N. Jagdale, c Uday, b Khot	13
Gaekwad, run out	5
Rawal, b Khot	11
Extras	7
Total	492

FALL OF WICKETS:—1/10; 2/12; 3/221; 4/289; 5/294; 6/328; 7/342; 8/371; 9/383; 10/492.

BOWLING ANALYSIS

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Phadkar	15	1	59	1
Mody	9	1	48	1
Khot	27.1	4	94	2
Tarapore	50	6	139	2
Ralji	39	1	133	3
Palwankar	8	2	12	0

Indian Football League

The 1945 season of the I. F. L. commences at the St. Xavier's College Gymkhana Ground, Parel, in the second week of April with both First and Second Divisions of the League. Entries may be sent to the Hon. Secretary, Shree Krishna Nivas Hospital Avenue, Parel, before Saturday the 24th instant.

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SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY'S

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(By Our Racing Correspondent)

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3rd race: Tangent 1. Golden Shot 2. Jameela 3.

4th race: Boonian 1. Hindustan 2 Mukhli Jabir 3.

5th race: Sweet Dream 1. Winiac 2. Cobalt 3.

6th race: Alijah 1. Fortunate Lad 2. Fairpath 3.

7th race: Prince Charming 1. Chiang-Kai-Shek 2 Pure Emerald 3.

8th race: Say When 1. Silver Phantom 2. Scotland Yard 3.

9th race: Jaiwant 1. Sapodil 2. Star of Sirohi 3.

10th race: Chandramohan II 1. Love Me 2. Star Hunt 3.

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Harijan Sevak Sangh

The Secretary, the Harijan Sevak Sangh, Bombay Provincial Board writes:

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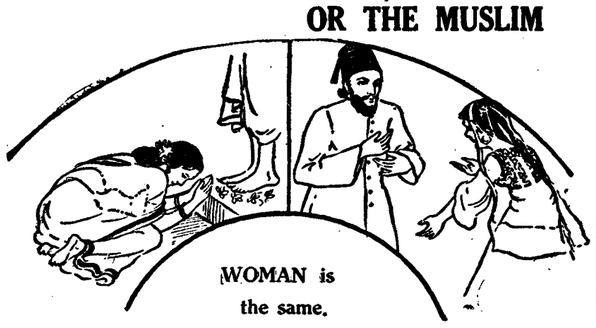
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Minor Role In Pacific War

Washington Plan To Keep Fraser's Fleet Out Of Jap Home Waters

LONDON, March 8: With the war in the West now in its last stages, the two Allies, Britain and U. S. have already started to jockey for positions in the war in the Pacific. While the Allies are united in their aim to destroy Japan, America seems determine to play the major role in the war in the Pacific and therefore get the biggest reward, writes the "United Press of India" political correspondent.

In this connection there is an interesting report which appears in today's "Daily Mail" from New York. The special correspondent of the paper, James Brough, writes: "The British Fleet is believed to have been assigned comparatively a minor role in the Pacific war as a result of a change of strategy for the war against Japan. It is understood that new plans formulated in Washington will keep forces under the command of Admiral Bruce Fraser out of Japanese home waters. They mean in effect that his ships will never get a chance to fight it out with the Japanese navy. It is no secret that Admiral King, the United States Naval Commander-in-Chief, has consistently opposed the greater British participation in the war against Japan. But at the last Quebec Conference Mr. Churchill was understood to have won his point that the British warships must have a major role in the Far Eastern battle zones."—United Press of India

JAPS EXPECT ATTACK ON MAINLAND

Premier Kuniaki Appeals To Nation To Be Prepared To Face Invasion

LONDON, March 8 (Reuter): The Japanese News Agency announced today that the Japanese Prime Minister, Kuniaki Koiso, warned the Japanese nation to be prepared for an invasion.

"The enemy is anxious to shorten the war by launching a reckless, direct attack against Japan's mainland in the near future," he said. "The entire nation must be fully prepared for such an adventure.

"In order to emerge victorious from the forthcoming decisive battle the one million people of Japan must renew their determination to crush the enemy and must shoulder the responsibilities for the prosecution of war with all their spiritual and material resources.

Only by making such all out efforts and sacrifices can the present national crisis be overcome."

ACQUITTED BUT RE-ARRESTED

Capitol Bomb Case Accused Demand Enquiry: Application To Be Heard On March 26

POONA, March 8: A 'habeas corpus' application has been made for Messrs. Chavan, Kulkarni and Pardeshi who were recently released by the Bombay High Court as "not guilty" in the Capitol Cinema (Poona) bomb case.

The police authorities re-arrested them immediately after their release and a 'habeas corpus' application is therefore now being made on their behalf for an enquiry to be made by the Bombay High Court.

The application has been admitted and will be heard on the 26th March, 1945.—A. P.

SANGIT UNIVERSITY AT BENARES

Pandit Omkarnathji Discusses Plan With Mahatma

WARDHA, March 8. Pandit Omkarnathji, the celebrated musician of India, had an interview with Mahatma Gandhi to-day when the question of establishment of a Sangit University in India was discussed for about half an hour.

Pandit Omkarnathji told the "United Press" that he would appeal to the nation for a sum of Rs. 20 lakhs for a Sangit University at Benares. He had already talks with Pandit Madanmohan Malviya and Sir Sarvapalli Radhakrishnan in this connection at Benares.

Pandit Ohkarnathji left for Bombay.—United Press.

More Allowance To Members Of Central Assembly

(From Our Correspondent.)

NEW DELHI, March 7: The Government of India have agreed to increase the daily allowance given to members of the Central Legislature from rupees 30 daily to Rs. 45 daily. I gather from lobbies to-day. Members of the legislature, it will be recalled, had made representation for increase in their daily allowance due to war conditions and high prices.

'San Fransisco Must Clarify Colonial Policy'

Must Make Statement Regarding Independence Of India, Says Pramanik

LONDON, March 8 (Reuter): A proposal that at the San Francisco Conference there should be a declaration regarding the independence of India and other colonial countries was made at the annual dinner of the London Majlis to-night by Mr. S. Pramanik, one of the Indian delegates to the World Trade Union Congress who were the guests of honour.

Another delegate Mr. R. Khedgikar, called for a closer link between the working class movements of India and Britain and said the British working class was surprisingly ignorant about India.

"NO CIVIC LIBERTY IN GOA".

Enthusiasm of The Youth Can Alone Lead To Progress, Says Ahmad Abbas

Lecturing to a meeting under the auspices of the Goan Youth League at the I.L.I. Hall, Mr. Khwaja Ahmad Abbas said that all progress had its genesis in the enthusiasm of the young.

Mr. Joachim Dias, President, Goan Youth League, introducing the speaker spoke about the total suppression of civic rights and liberties in Goa. A meeting of the present type, he said, was impossible under the Fascist regime of Dictator Salazar. Hence they had the curious anomaly of the Goan Youth League having its headquarters outside Goa—in British India. He spoke about the inherent unity of Goa with the rest of India.

Mr. Abbas gave a brief resume of the youth movements of the world. It was youth which forged new ideas and set new ways of thinking. There would have been no great political, social or religious movements in history if youth had listened to the counsels of age, which was set in its way of thinking and unchanging.

AFGHAN PUBLICITY MISSION.

NEW DELHI, March 8: At an invitation of the Government of India, the Afghan Publicity Mission is arriving in New Delhi on March 10. The Mission will comprise of Syed Kassim Khan Rishtya, Vice-President of the Press Department, Mr. Abdulhai Habibi, President of the Pushto Tolana, a cultural institution for advocating Pushto language and Mr. Abdur Rahman Pajwak, Director of General Information. It is understood that the mission would stay in India for a fortnight and see the working of the All-India Radio, meet few editors of the newspapers, and visit certain places which might arouse their interest.—United Press.

LONDON, March 7: Sir James Pitkeathly is in London now to negotiate purchase of plant for a huge artificial fertilizer factory which is to be erected in Bihar shortly. The roposed factory is expected to turn out 350,000 tons of sulphate of ammonia yearly, to stimulate India's crops.—A. P. A.

MADRAS, March 6: Enquiries in official circles indicate that the Madras Government do not at present contemplate either to wind up the National War Front organisation or to substitute it by any other machinery.—A. P.



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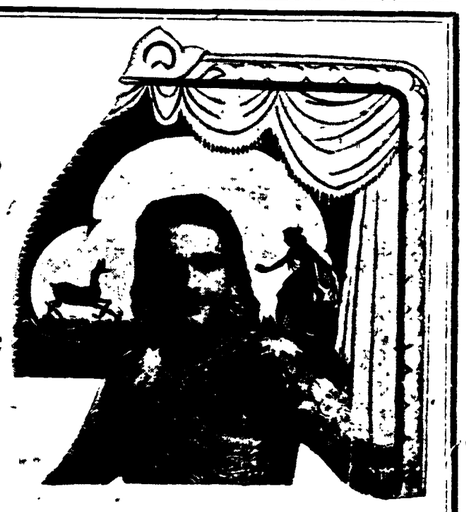
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A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Just as I approve of a young man in whom there is a touch of age, so I approve of the old man in whom there is some of the flavour of youth. He who strives thus to mingle youthfulness and age may grow old in body, but old in spirit he will never be.

—Cicero.

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REQUISITIONING IN BOMBAY

The press note issued by Mr. C. F. S. Collins, Adviser to the Governor, with regard to the requisitioning of houses in the city, is not calculated to allay the anxiety among the public caused by reports of requisitioning on a large scale. The public expected some relief from Government as already there is abnormal congestion in the city owing to the increase in the city's population from 15 lakhs in 1941 to about 24 lakhs at present, to the destruction of numerous houses during the explosions, and to the suspension of building activity in the city as a result of Government's strict control of building materials. It is calculated that at present there are on an average about 60 persons per house and ten persons to a room in the slum area and that over two lakhs of people are living on the footpaths. But far from giving any relief to the people, Government warns them that many more houses will have to be requisitioned and "increased inconvenience may be unavoidable." And this, we are told, is due to the need for a more vigorous prosecution of the war in the East.

We do not know if over-congested Bombay is the only available residential place for the forces till they are actually called to the front in the east. We do not think it is but let us assume it is. Government must have foreseen this contingency months, if not years ago particularly after housing difficulties were aggravated by the explosions. What did it do all this time to build at least temporary structures? We are naively told that "the possibility of doing this to a limited degree is under consideration." Perhaps the fact that some thought is given to this is something to be grateful for. We suggest that in the interests of numerous men and women who are threatened with increased inconvenience the building programme must be expedited and less reliance should be placed on Government's power to requisition houses. In spite of the scarcity of building materials it is certainly possible for Government to secure enough materials for temporary structures for military purposes.

Assuming, again, that some existing buildings need to be requisitioned, care should be taken to see that under Government's own rules, as little distress is caused to the people as possible. As we have suggested before, Government should requisition, in the first instance, houses which are only nominally occupied, being used either occasionally or to a small extent, or those which are used for nonessential purposes. Many have suggested that the huge palaces of some of the Princes and parts of the larger clubs like the Yacht Club, the Willingdon Club, the Byculla Club and the Bombay Gymkhana might well have been requisitioned in preference to crowded houses. In any case, when men are turned out of their homes, they ought to be helped to get tolerably good alternative accommodation. But it is distressing to find Government's press note stating point blank that "it will not be possible in the same manner as before to assist those who have to vacate their residences to obtain alternative accommodation." If it is not possible even to give the dispossessed people the assistance which Government itself realised the necessity of giving in the past, that itself suggests that Government has reached the limit of equitable requisitioning in the city. To say to the people in effect: "We shall have your houses, whether or not you can get alternative accommodation" is not just or humane or the best of war propaganda. A right or necessary thing should not be done in a wrong way.

A Futile Effort

To the victims of Japan's aggression the present squeals from Tokio must bring a sense of grim gratification. Time was when the Japs, in the flush of victories, were declaring plans to overrun China and India and to dictate a victorious peace in Washington's White House. To-day the Jap Press and the Jap Premier are warning their people to prepare for an American invasion of the Japanese mainland itself. The "Asahi Shimbun" forecasts American landings in the "not distant future" and proclaims —in Churchill's words!—the determination of the people to resist to the last. The "Asahi" warning is repeated by Premier Koiso who says: "the enemy is anxious to shorten the war by launching a reckless, direct attack against Japan's mainland in the near future". The coincidence of the "Asahi" and Koiso issuing forecasts of a grave event almost simultaneously is not an accident. It is co-ordinated propaganda. But why is such an alarm being raised among a people whom their leaders had so long been gulling with tales of magnificent victories?

The situation has assumed such proportions of seriousness and the war has come with such convincing painfulness to the very gates of Japan that no lie can possibly conceal it. The Philippines are practically gone. Japan's southern conquests are decisively isolated and doomed. The terrific battle for Iwojima is nearly over. The Jap leaders know that the next phase of the war will be infinitely more serious and that their mainland is shortly going to endure the experiences of devastated Germany. We doubt if an immediate invasion of Japan is on the American schedule. That will come later. The Jap leaders have raised the scare as a desperate expedient to infuse into their people a sense of extreme urgency and crisis. It is calculated to help in the process of what is called total mobilisation. But it is all a futile effort. Japan is as certainly finished and done with as Germany, however much the Japs may sweat and toil or shed blood and tears. It is merely a question of time.

Frankly Speaking

Across The Rhine

The best news from the West since the Allied landing on the coast of Normandy and General Patton's break through is that the American First Army has crossed the Rhine This achievement has taken the world by surprise. Very few could have imagined that it would come so soon. And not only has the Rhine been crossed, but the Americans have since then been pouring into their bridgehead thousands of troops without any check. Here is another surprise. The Germans have shown no resistance. If this means that they have crumbled on the German side of the river too then anything may happen within days and weeks. Doctor Goebbels is just reported to have said that the war has passed its climax and would have a sudden end. Let us hope the Nazi leader is for once right.

Good News

The entry of Fourteenth Army troops into Mandalay is the greatest event so far since the Allies started their offensive in Burma. Mandalay is not yet completely recaptured and the Japs are likely to make a stand in the centre of the city. But they cannot resist long and the whole thing should be over in a matter of days. Nearly as gratifying is the news that General Sultan's Chinese troops have captured Lashio. The strength in which the Allies have descended on Burma and the remarkably tame resistance offered by the Japs in every sector strengthen the truth of an American paper's opinion that, when the British recapture Mandalay, Japan's grip on Burma will be broken. It has, in fact, already been broken. And we want to indulge in the optimistic hope that before the monsoon breaks in strength we shall be hailing the final end of the battle for Burma including the recapture of Rangoon.

Rumanian Peasants Act

A Tass dispatch from Bucharest via Moscow says that thousands of Rumanian peasants already have divided up a large number of estates and now look to the new Government to sanction their action. If the new Government takes no action against the peasants it is more than likely that this movement of agrarian self-help will spread until Rumania becomes a fertile land of peasant proprietors. We should welcome this development. But an interesting question arises: What happens if even the new Government does not prove quite as sympathetic to the peasants as Tass expects or desires and if it insists upon its right as a Government to cancel extra-legal activities? And, more interesting, what is the position of the Big Three, on whose behalf Rumania is occupied in this intriguing situation? Can they allow an economic 'coup d'etat' so to speak, in occupied Rumania?

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

Trouble soon pines away and dies if neglected.

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Woman's tears and dog's limp are not always what they seem.

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It is better to follow one good example than it is to set a dozen bad ones.

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How a girl hates to have all her girl friends admire the man she admires!

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A woman's mission on earth is to convince some man that he ought to get married.

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A man thinks that he is practicing economy when he denies himself something he can't raise the money to buy.

Battle Over Shaukat Hyat's Dismissal In Punjab Assembly

Khizr-Ghaznafar Ali Counter-Challenges

League Deputy Leader Accuses Ministry Of Being Tool In Governor's Hands

LAHORE, March 8 (A. P.): Malik Khizr Hyat Khan explaining the developments leading to the dismissal of Sardar Shaukat Hyat Khan said: "Even before Mrs. Durga Parshad's case came to my notice, serious allegations had been made about Sardar Shaukat Hyat Khan's abuse of his powers as Minister and I had reasonable grounds for believing that there was considerable justification for these allegations. Subsequent inquiries have, I regret to state, confirmed the reasonableness of these grounds.

The Premier referred to the alleged purchase of land valued at many thousands of rupees by Sardar Shaukat Hyat Khan funds for which he alleged had been obtained in the most improper manner.

I feared, said Malik Khizr Hyat Khan, that my Ministry might be involved in an ugly scandal.

Explaining the allegations Malik Khizr Hyat Khan said that Sardar Shaukat Hyat Khan used his position as Minister in charge of the Improvement Trust, Lahore, to induce the villagers of Davisabad to sell various plots of land to him by causing them to believe that the land was about to be acquired for the Improvement Trust at very low prices.

He was unable to pay for these land purchases without assistance and he obtained money from two prominent Lahore businessmen, who are brothers.

They provided him, in all, with funds to the extent of more than one lakh of rupees and in return for this he misused his position as Minister in Charge of Transport to try to obtain for them a large share in the operation of Lahore's local bus service.

Towards the end of the statement which extended over 25 fullscap typewritten pages and took an hour to read the Premier indicated that THE EVENTS WHICH HE HAD NARRATED IN REGARD TO THE LAND PURCHASES AND THEIR FINANCE MIGHT COME BEFORE A COURT.

He said that soon after Sardar Shaukat Hyat Khan's dismissal some of the vendors of the Davisabad land made a report to the Police in which they alleged that they had been cheated into selling their land at a price far below its market value.

Their allegations are still under investigation I have been careful to express no opinion on the merits of these allegations and to say nothing which might prejudice the course of justice but it seemed to be impossible in the public interest to keep back any longer the explanation of Sardar Shaukat Hyat Khan's dismissal.

Raja Ghazanfar Ali Khan, Deputy Leader of the Muslim League Party, in a 110-minute reply to the Premier's statement on Sardar Shaukat Hyat's dismissal said that the Governor had flagrantly violated an act of Parliament by resorting to unconstitutional and unfair means in dismissing a Minister.

Raja Ghazanfar Ali said that Premier Khizr Hayat had played the traitor to the Muslim League by stabbing Sardar Shaukat Hyat in the back just before he was about to break away from the Muslim League in April last when he was conducting negotiations with Qaid-e-Azam Jinnah

The real reason for Shaukat Hyat's dismissal, the Raja went on, was that we had remained loyal to the League and had told the Premier that he would resign from the Cabinet rather than leave Mr. Jinnah and the Muslim League. But Malik Khizar Hyat thought that Shaukat would become a hero if he thus left his Ministry. That was why this lame excuse of injustice to Mrs. Durga Prasad was invented in a hurry and his resignation was not accepted.

Raja Ghazanfar Ali then related details of the Cabinet meeting at which the Governor announced the case of Mrs. Durga Prasad to the Ministers which, he said, was not even on the agenda and some of the Ministers did not know what this case was about. He added that there was until then no appeal preferred on behalf of Mrs. Durga Prasad but a memorandum from her had been asked for later as a camouflage.

Raja Ghazanfar Ali said that Malik Khizar Hayat during his negotiations with Mr. Jinnah had asked his non-Muslim Ministers to give him their resignations which he intended to use as a bargaining factor in arriving at a settlement with Mr. Jinnah and thus prove to him that if he (Mr. Jinnah) did not agree to his (Khizar's) terms there was danger of Sec. 93 being promulgated in the Province.

TOOL IN GLANCY'S HANDS'

The Raja went on to say that in the Punjab there existed a regime more reactionary and retrograde in character than even Sec. 93 rule and that the present Ministry was nothing but a convenient tool in the hands of Sir Bertrand Glancy and the British Government.

Raja Ghazanfar Ali dwelling on the constitutional aspect of Shaukat Hyat's dismissal said that the Governor could either dismiss the entire Cabinet or the Premier, who, if he had no-confidence in Sardar Shaukat Hyat could ask him to tender his resignation, and in the event of his refusing to do so he could tender the resignation of the entire Cabinet and form another within three minutes. But in the April crisis the Governor even thought that he was free to behave as a bureaucrat of 1935 and abuse all constitutional procedure.

Raja Ghazanfar Ali said that even if Shaukat was guilty of some error of judgment he could not be dismissed for this paltry error even as no judge could be dismissed for giving a supposedly wrong judgment. Shaukat at the most could be asked to revise his judgment but he was made a scapegoat for being loyal to the Muslim League and its Qaid-e-Azam.

Raja Ghazanfar Ali bringing counter-charges against the Ministry said that things like the postponement of the operation of the Vegetable Ghee Act left many a dealing of the Ministry in mystery and the time was not distant when everything would be laid bare to the public view.

CHALLENGE TO PREMIER

He said that the Muslim League today was ready to accept the challenge of treacherous conspiracy from the Premier who should take courage to come down to a court of law to prove his allegations. He said it was fortunate that the Province had a High Court which was above and beyond the influence of the Ministry, that, he said, was the only redeeming feature of this democracy.

He said that if Shaukat could be dismissed on such a flimsy excuse there were enough reasons for dismissing each one of the Ministers occupying the Treasury benches. Unlike the Premier the League would not take shelter behind the Assembly walls but would go out to the masses for whom it stood. "Let those living in glass houses not throw stones at others."

SHAUKAT HYAT DENIES ACCUSATIONS

In the Punjab Assembly today Sardar Shaukat Hyat Khan, leader of the Muslim League Party, referring to the Premier's statement on his dismissal said: "I wish I were free to make a full and detailed statement of the facts within my knowledge in reply to the statement read by the Premier yesterday on the floor of the House. But as the Premier's statement contains a threat of prosecution, my lips must remain sealed until the moment comes when I have to vindicate my honour in a court of law.

Sardar Shaukat Hyat Khan, however, denied the accusation with all emphasis at his command.

"ATTITUDES AND LATITUDES"

By "Birbal"

STORMY SWAMI:—

The resignation of Swami Shahajanand Saraswati, the stormy petrel of Bihar peasant politics, from the presidentship of the communist-controlled "All-India Kisan Sabha", has given the neglected Indian peasant a fleeting mention in newspaper headlines. It has also coincided with the completion of ten years' existence of the peasant movement in India.

It was in 1935, during the annual conference of the All-India Congress Socialist Party at Meerut, that the All-India Kisan Council was first established with Smt. Kamladevi as Chairman. Later, the Council was expanded into a full-fledged Sabha led by Jaiprakash Narayan, Swami Shahajanand and Professor N. G. Ranga.

Came the phase of the "popular front" after the 1935 session of the Comintern, and Communist penetration started. Along with it came the inevitable disruption, with the Hammer and Sickle replacing the National Flag as the symbol. Relations with the Indian National Congress, at first happy, became strained. With only a small fraction of the Congress membership, the A.I.K.S. began to talk as if it represented India's peasant crores!

When World War II brought an open breach between Socialists and Communists, the Kisan Sabha split into rival organisations—one with Awadheshwar Prasad Sinha, Bihar Congress Socialist who has just recently been released from prison, as Secretary, and the other controlled by the Communists, with Swami Shahajanand and Indulal Yagnik as non-party "fronts."

STEWING IN THEIR OWN JUICE:

With "Quit India" in 1942, Indulal Yagnik fed up with the A.I.K.S.'s anti-national role, quit. And now, with Swami Shahajanand's defection, the Communists are left, here as in every other sphere of activity, to stew in their own juice. The revelations made by the All-India Kisan Sabha President about how the Communists have misused the peasant organisations to defend their People's War and Pakistan slogans and "have dragged our platform in the mire", are revealing and provide justification, if any were needed, for the policy recently followed by the Congress organizations throughout the country of excluding Communists from their fold. They also corroborate the thesis of those students of the Communist movement who hold that, if the Communists enter any broader common organization, it is only to capture or destroy it. No wonder then that, with these lessons before it, the forthcoming meeting of the All-India Muslim League Council is due to consider a resolution debarring from Office any communist-turned Leaguer for a period of three years' quarantine, to allow for the process of decontamination!

What now of the Kisan Movement? In the South, we have the Kisan Congress led by Professor Ranga. In Bihar, two Kisan Sabhas, one led by Congressmen, including Socialists, and the other by Swami Shahajanand. Swamiji's anti-national activities during 1942-43, when Bihar went through the fiery ordeal, are likely to act as barrier to fusion in the near future. Gandhiji has wisely advised Professor Ranga to build up a strong Kisan Movement in his own province and to desist from setting up any nation-wide organization. The same advice presumably holds good in other quarters. The confusion caused by the chequered history of the past few years will first have to be cleared and anti-national influences eliminated before a clean and virile peasant movement can take its place of pride in the ranks of India's army of liberation. And after all, it restores a sense of proportion to recall that the Indian National Congress, with its membership many times that of all the Kisan organizations put together, is India's Number One Peasant Organization.

SIR SCRAPPS:

Sir Stafford Cripps, known abroad as Sir Scrapps, among his friends as Scrappy, among his opponents as Stiffy, and among the proletariat as Cripes, has been readmitted to the Labour Party. His utility to the party which always treated him as a nuisance, may be doubtful but his utility to this country is nil. Indian friends or friends of India like Cripps should remember it. His Indian experience may, however, enable him to educate Transport House in anti-Indian thinking. But many of the Labour Party will still look on him as the rising hope of the Tories. Baldwin once shrewdly prophesied that Cripps was a future Conservative Premier. Mr. Churchill paid him even more dubious tributes. "I must say that I think him to be a poor kind of revolutionary. I am not a revolutionary. But if I were a revolutionary I would certainly not adopt the tactics of Sir Stafford Cripps of jumping into the middle of it..... and then when somebody says "order, order", running away like a little whipped cur." The *Manchester Guardian* once wrote of him. "Sir Stafford Cripps, if he continues, is more likely to be the architect of a British Fascism based on the fears of a frightened middle class than Sir Oswald Mosley." But the old English tag, "Cripps, he is a Quaker", is not without its effect. He can work hard, he can orebrate, he can quibble. When the Labour Party expelled him it was said that it blew out its brains. Those brains are back again and they will be increasingly used against India.

COMMONWEALTH!

The "revolutionary" speech made by Sir Zafrullah Khan before the Commonwealth Relations Conference in London brought that flabby body into the limelight of Indian news. And as every organization that has its being in London is invested in the Indian mind with a peculiar importance, the Indian Press and public began to perceive in its proceedings a totally false significance. The relations between the units of the British Commonwealth have always depended on the capacity of Britain to hold the strings of direction from the centre. This war has proved that both in Canada and Australia the shift is towards Washington and that the resurrected Blimp, however much he may long for it, will have very little to do with ordering the affairs of these Dominions. As for India, which has never been part of the Commonwealth except for purposes of ritual and courtesy, the Commonwealth Relations Conference is best described by the *Sunday Express* which dismisses it as "having no official status." When Commonwealth is interpreted in terms of unilateral possession, it is only opinions which reflect the "official status" that matter. The fact that Sir Zafrullah Khan suddenly found his voice at the Conference has not made any difference to the fact that we and the Commonwealth have essentially nothing to do with each other.

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TRUE RELIGION WILL BRING PEACE TO HUMANITY

Swami Sharvanandaji's Address At Inter-Religious Convention

BOMBAY, Friday.

Inaugurating a four-day session of the Inter-religious Convention at Sundrabai Hall this evening, Swami Sharvanandaji of the Belur Math, Calcutta said that if there was ever a time when the practice of true religion by mankind was essential, it was to-day because the present war showed complete bankruptcy of western civilisation There was need for religion because the ideal of religion was to enable man to realise that behind the sensuous world, there lay an ultra-cosmic power which was all pervasive. There was need for a religion of charity, of love, of help of service. The practice of this religion by mankind, he said, would undoubtedly lead to the establishment of peace in human society.

The Inter-Religious Convention which has a crowded programme during the next three days is being attended by delegates from Lahore, Delhi, Calcutta, Madras, Allahabad, Trivandrum and other places. Sir S. Radhakrishnan and the Rt. Hon. M. R. Jayakar are among those who are expected to participate in the deliberations.

The inaugural session, to-day was attended by a large number of citizens and presided over by Prof. J. C. F. Andrade. Spokesmen of different faiths addressed the Convention.

Welcoming the delegates, Swami Sambuddhananda, Chairman of the Reception Committee said that the Inter-religious Convention had a definite object namely, "of cultivating the spirit of mutual understanding and fellowship among persons of different faiths and of serving as a forum for exchange of spiritual thought on important and urgent problems of common concern".

NEED FOR RELIGION.

Referring to the need for true religion Swami Shambuddhananda said:—"For centuries the powers of Europe have tried to establish the Fatherhood of God at the cost of the brotherhood of man. But when this scheme failed, it seems that the great powers are trying to establish the brotherhood of man at the cost of the Fatherhood of God. Is it not high time that an attempt is made to assess and understand the important issues that have so long been divorced from the true spirit of religion? Can any edifice of polity or social fabric stand on the quagmire of any new tangled ideas or so-called isms of modern age unless based on the bed-rock of true religion?"

Realisation of the Supreme was the goal of all religions, explained Swami Sambuddhananda. The methods of reaching this goal varied with different people. Variety was the law of creation but to discover the underlying unity in all the diversities of the world was the work of true religion.

BIRTH OF RELIGION.

In the course of his inaugural address, Swami Sharvanandaji said that all the progress of humanity could be traced to the inspiration of religion. The need for religion had been fundamental with human society. Man had developed a sense of religion in the very early stages when he could be conscious of his limitations and was consequently desirous of getting over these limitations with the help of the super-physical. Man envisaged God after his own image. As he developed, his religion also developed. The noblest and the best in art, in philosophy, in human contact came to be inspired by religion.

The faith aspect, the philosophic aspect, the ritualistic aspect and the ethical or moral aspect were the four principle aspects of religion. It was the faith aspect which had been responsible for bigotry and dissensions among religions. Many a dark deed inspired by fanaticism, racial prejudice, bigotry had been recorded in history. Some people who called themselves progressives thought that religion was incompatible with progress.

LIVING PRESENCE OF GOD.

Swami Sharvanandaji said that true religion was the realisation of the living presence of God It was the religion practised and lived by the saints, the seers of the world. A close study of the lives of these sages helped one to understand the import of true religion.

"If religion is eliminated, ethics and morality tend to degenerate", said the speaker "and the human being definitely relapses into barbarity. This is a terrible catastrophe to human society."

In a brief speech, Prof. Andrade said that the Convention sought to answer one important question:—"why has religion ceased to be an active force in social life?" It was clear that there was something radically wrong with the world to-day. Morality had lost its influence because it had lost its basis. This basis was religion. Among the nations, fraternal spirit was lacking. Among men, a spirit of brotherhood is lacking. Civilisation was on the brink of annihilation.

IRRELIGION.

Mrs. Shirin Fozdar said that priest craft and dogmas were not religion. The essence of true religion was to be found in the Bible, the Quran, the Gita, the Dhammapada. It needed no interpreters because it could be understood by the simplest.

Principal S. V. Dandekar said that religion in the true sense meant "circling back to our true home". There was much misunderstanding about religion to-day. It was taken to mean obscurantism and sectarianism. That was the secret of the loss of power of religion. There was no conflict between religion and science because both aimed at truth.

Mr. Motichand Kapadia complained of faulty education in the sphere of religion which led to an order of showy preachers and interpreters who failed to influence society.

Miss R. Reubin thought that so long as religion remained mere conformity and ceremonial, it would fail to have any hold on society. It was the content of religion which needed to be understood.

The Convention will reassemble at 9 a.m. to-morrow (Saturday).

ZAFRULLAH FIXES DATE

MANCHESTER, March 9: The leading Indian judge Sir Zafrullah Khan proposes in an article in the "Manchester Guardian" that Britain should announce that it will accept any agreed Indian settlement put up within one year of the defeat of Japan or by the end of 1947.

If no agreement were reached Britain herself would frame a provisional constitution for India on the basis of full Dominion Status and this would remain in force unless Indians produced an agreed alternative which would then take its place.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT—

"This is the first time the Government of India or a mission (the Cripps mission) appointed by them has been able to come face to face with the department of His Majesty's Government except through the agency of the India office. The form of deliberations is, therefore, a remarkable study in something more than Dominion Status."

—London Correspondent of the "Times of India."

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President Roosevelt is reported to have informed the U. S. Congress that he was in favour of Indians being given rights of citizenship in America.

This is serious, even if indirect, challenge to the British Commonwealth, so serious that General Smuts should either through the Dominions Secretary or preferably through Mr. Churchill make a strong protest to the U. S. President.

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In the House of Commons on Thursday, Mr. L. S. Amery, says Reuter, declined to make a fuller statement on the British Government's policy towards India.

Quite right. We are relieved. The old one is quite bad enough to get along with.

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In reply to another question Mr. Amery said: "I understand from Press reports that the Indian Government have been defeated six times in the present budget session of the Legislative Assembly."

And they are prepared to come up smiling for many more. Which proves clearly the immense inner strength of this democratic member of a historically famous democratic family.

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By the way there is no truth in the frivolous rumour that, if and when India's representatives on a Ministerial level at the San Francisco Conference are asked for credentials as spokesmen of the people of India, they will produce an officially endorsed and stamped record of victorious defeats in the Central Legislative Assembly.

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The announcement that Dr. Khan Saheb will move a vote of no confidence in N.W.F.P. Muslim League Ministry coincides with reports of a number of Muslim League M.L.A.'s leaving the League Party.

We are, however, unfortunately, in two minds as to how the approaching crisis should be tackled: a delegation of members of the Council of Action could proceed immediately to Peshawar and return abruptly after issuing a statement or the situation should be watched silently until all is over, when Mr. M. A. Jinnah could issue a thundering denunciation of some one or the other in the usual manner and style.

Both alternatives have much to commend them.

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At a function in London, an Indian T.U.C. leader said that the British Working Class was surprisingly ignorant about India.

But why should our compatriot have been surprised about it?

CENTRAL ASSEMBLY VERDICT ON VICEROY'S COUNCIL

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lar owed a duty to the public to strive in that direction. Non-violent persons like Mr. Jairamdas Daulatram had been undergoing incarceration for a long time, and no help had been rendered by the Executive Councillors collectively or separately in securing their release.

Mr. M. A. Kazmi (unattached) said that the question was whether the Indian members of the Executive Council represented India. Even with the present Government, they could carry on the administration to a certain extent for the benefit of India.

They have been crying, he continued, against the anti-Indian propaganda carried on in America at the cost of the Indian taxpayer. He wanted to know if the members of the Executive Council had consulted the members of the Opposition as to what they should do to meet this adverse propaganda?

Although war was coming to an end, political prisoners continued to be detained in jails without trial. The argument was advanced that they might perpetrate a lot of wrongs if they were allowed to go outside. Mahatma Gandhi, the author and originator of the plans, was out and nothing serious had happened.

HOME MEMBER'S DEFENCE.

The Home Member, Sir Francis Mudie, said that when Mr. Abdul Qaiyum condemned the Government of India's policy in detaining certain persons, he based his case entirely on a slogan. Talk of concentration camps might be good propaganda especially abroad where the facts of this country were not known and could not be verified, but members of this House should base their case on actual facts. What were the facts, asked the Home Member and proceeded to give a reply. The total number of persons under detention to-day was 7,500. These included Hurs and other criminals, a certain number who had had dealings with the enemy, or helped enemy agents and a large number of Bengal terrorists. He did not believe members of the House would wish to censure the Government for not releasing the Bengal terrorists. He was not sure if the Bengal Government would not take the strongest objection to being asked to release these terrorists; so also the Sind Government in regard to the release of Hurs. After deducting these, the number of those detained in India for political reasons was 1,500. "Let us compare it with the population of this country", suggested the Home Member amid laughter from the Opposition benches. (Mr. Krishnamachari: What about those convicted?).

The Home Member pointed out that the number of persons detained by the Government of India was about 50. The others were detained by Provincial Governments. He was not giving this figures in order to plead that the Government of India's part was a small one in these detentions nor to shelter behind the Provincial Governments. What he claimed was that if the Government of India were erring, they were erring in good company. Every argument advanced against the detentions was an argument not against the Government of India's policy alone, but against the policy of the Provincial Governments.

It could not possibly be that the policy followed by Provincial Governments was anti-Indian, declared the Home Member; it could not be thought to have any sinister purpose behind it. Nor could these people be said to have been detained because they believed in or advocated self-Government for India. Self-Government had been advocated by Mr. Jinnah, for instance, and the Punjab Premier. Nor were persons detained for any opinions expressed by them. If as had been asserted, there was no right of free speech in this country, would Mr. Gandhi have been allowed to speak and write or Mrs. Pandit allowed to go to U.S.A.? (Laughter from opposition).

Persons were detained simply and solely for what they would do if they were released. A great majority of them believed in violence or had had close association with those who believed in violence. Others there were who did not believe in violence, but they could not be released 'en bloc' without risk.

Mr. Sriprakasa: What is the proportion of the population which suffered in August?

The Home Member went on to assert that no Government could afford to take the risk at the present moment of a repetition of what happened in 1942.

Sir Francis proceeded to explain the policy of gradual release adopted by Provincial Governments and by the Government of India.

The Home Member paid a tribute to the administrations which had performed the distasteful task and had never faltered in spite of violent and ignorant criticism. He asked the House not to give any vote which would be interpreted as showing lack of appreciation of these administrations.

RANGA'S ADVICE.

Prof. N. G. Ranga (Congress) asked the Home Member to stay in jail for six months so that he might develop a proper attitude towards persons kept in detention. He contended that there was no exaggeration in Mrs Vijayalakshmi Pandit's figure of 18,000 persons in Indian prisons, for it included persons who were convicted by Government, and India was itself one large prison house.

Government were responsible for carrying on propaganda in America that Mahatma Gandhi was a Japanese agent, said Prof. Ranga. It was after two years of this propaganda that Mr. Amery was forced to admit in Parliament that at no time did this Government make such a charge against the Mahatma.

In the seven lakhs of villages in the country, food requisitioning officers were breaking into houses and taking away grain leaving no more than three months supplies. The Commonwealth Relations Department could not satisfy the House as to why the new High Commissioner to South Africa was being allowing to proceed. The Law Member did nothing to prevent the misinterpretation of the Defence of India Rules, even when the Federal Court drew attention to it.

Dr. P. N. Banerjee (Leader of the Nationalist Party) called upon the Indian members of the Executive Council "to cast away their inferiority complex and be more assertive as to the rights of the people of India". He enumerated eight grievances against the Government. The burden of the taxation on the poor people was heavy; the policy of the Government which led to inflation has proved disastrous and resulted in a famine in Bengal and other parts of India; the financial adjustment between Britain and India in regard to the war was inequitable; Government had failed to safeguard the economic interests of the country; Government had failed to prevent racial discrimination against Indians in South Africa and in other parts of the Commonwealth; Government had kept a large number of men and women in detention without any trial and lastly Government had failed to resolve the political deadlock.

Khare's Jibe At Congress

Dr. N. B. Khare, Commonwealth Relations Member, refused the charge that Indian Members of Government had brought about a constitutional muddle. "We are here", he said, "because Opposition member indulged in a constitutional muddle". He declared categorically that he was second to none in this country in the desire to have a National Government and he wished it was in his power to get it. Like Bharata in the epic he was prepared to lay the crown at the feet of Rama when Rama returned after destroying Ravana and rescuing Sita. But here Rama (the Congress) did not even go to Lanka, but came either from Wardha or Madras or Bombay without destroying Ravana and was wanting the Crown.

The Government had been called irremovable and irresponsible. He pleaded guilty and reminded the House that they were functioning under the 1919 Act for which Indian members were not responsible.

"VICTIM OF NON-VIOLENT NAZISM."

He asked if the motion moved today was part of the programme for the freedom fight and if the sponsors of the motion were sincere. If the motion was carried and if supplies were refused, the sponsors should go to the country and start a no-tax campaign.

A voice: You will put them in jail.

Dr. Khare said the Opposition had talked of four freedoms, but he said before those freedoms could be obtained there should be freedom from humbug. "You behold in my person, sir," he said, "a live victim of non-violent Nazism".

There was a time when the slogan was "Quit India" now the slogan seemed to be "Quit jobs so that we may get them".

He asked the House whether it believed that this war should be won quickly and in the interests of India. If the House believed in it, then every member must vote against the motion.

Voices: Why?

Dr. Khare said the Congress had been against the war effort, and he would admit that the Congress had been willing to hurt and bold enough to strike, but the Moslem League was willing to hurt but afraid to strike. Dr. Khare reminded the House that the first arrest to be made under the Defence of India Rules was made by the Congress Ministry in Madras, and it was that very Ministry, which got Dr. T. S. S. Rajan nominated to the Madras Legislature by the Governor and then took him in as a Minister.

KHARE QUOTES MAHATMA.

As against the criticisms made against his policy with regard to South Africa, Dr. Khare quoted from a Press report of a statement which, he said, Mahatma Gandhi had made saying that he could not forget Dr. Khare's services on behalf of Indians in South Africa.

"JESTER OF EXECUTIVE COUNCIL."

Nawabzada Liaquat Ali Khan Deputy Leader of the Muslim League Party said that the motion was intended to show the lack of confidence in the Government of India as constituted to-day. He described Dr. Khare as a "jester of the Executive Council." Dr. Khare had justified his position by taking shelter under the Act of 1919 but the same Act, the Nawabzada pointed out, entitled the Opposition to express its lack of confidence in the Government and there was no obligation to go the country to preach non-payment of taxes.

He condemned the bombing in the tribal areas and said that Sir Olaf Caroe's statement was like the statement of Gen. Dyer who declared in connection with the Jallianwalabag outrage that he would have continued to shoot if he had more ammunition.

In regard to the composition of the present Government the Nawabzada referred to Sir Sultan Ahmed's statement on a similar motion last year that as the political Parties had refused to join the Executive Council the Viceroy had to expand his Council by appointing public men. That statement was incorrect declared the Nawabzada. The Muslim League Party did not refuse to share the responsibility for the successful prosecution of the war but what they refused to accept was the position of Britain's camp followers. They wanted a position as co-partners in a common enterprise The then Viceroy Lord Linlithgow was not prepared to give that promise and the Muslim League, as a self-respecting Party, had no other choice but to refuse the offer.

"GIVE UP THIS PRETENCE".

Criticising Lord Wavell's reference to the present Government as a National Government the Nawabzada said that only that Government could be legitimately called a National Government which had the support, goodwill and co-operation of the people of the country. By no stretch of language, he asserted, could this Government. "Give up this pretence" he said. "Why do you want to deceive the world by such pretences. Do not think that the world consists of fools and you are the only wiseman. The world knows that the Government of India has neither the backing nor the goodwill nor the co-operation of the people. I do not cast any reflection on the honour of the Honourable Members on the other side but they should certainly recognise that we on this side of the House are entitled to express the opinion held by a large section of the people in this country."

Concluding the Nawabzada said that he had heard complaints of racial discrimination even in the armed forces. A number of Indian Army officers belonging to various communities had told him of the prevalence of racial discrimination. He urged the Government to remedy them.

Sir A. Ramaswamy Mudaliar, Supply Member, said that the Opposition had pressed for a Government which had the backing of the elected elements in the House. "All of us" he said "wanted to have a Government of that sort but when they try to put the blame on this Government, I think they are very wide of the mark." Dr. Banerjee had complained that this Government had done nothing to resolve the political deadlock. Sir Ramaswami in reply referred to the fact known to most members of the House that this Government, as a united body, and as individual members had time and again tried to do what they could to resolve the deadlock. Some of their efforts had not been liked by the one or the other section and did not come up to the expectation of one or other section. Again proposals which were once anathema, had with the passage of time, appeared to have become a little more reasonable. To suggest that the Government had done nothing would mean wiping out past memories.

Referring to propaganda abroad, of which strong criticisms has been made, Sir Ramaswamy said that he himself was in the United States for two months in 1943. He had lectured at various places and his addresses had been published by the American Foreign Relations Council and not by any machinery under the control of the Government of India. He invited the Opposition to show in those speeches one word of criticism or abuse of anyone.

CHARGE AGAINST CONGRESS.

The Supply Member continued: Just look at the contract of the propaganda that is being carried on behalf of the Party opposite. Look at the way Indians have been maligned and ridiculed simply because they do not conform to your views, simply because you and I in this country could not come to an agreement. That is the propaganda that is going on and that propaganda is sufficient to bring India into disrepute".

"Mr. Bulabhai Desai, leader of the Opposition, said he was reminded of the saying that an impressive declaration of patriotism was the last argument of unpatriotic persons.

If it was true that Indian Members of the Government were patriots, it did not require a declaration such as was made by the last speaker. What the Supply Member said amounted to this "I am as good as a patriot as you, but nobody has confidence in me," for, said Mr. Desai.

The confidence of the country was after all the real measure of patriotism and it was a fact that none of the Indian members of Government had the confidence of the country, indeed as regards one or two of them, some of their own families did not agree with them (laughter). Mr. Desai ridiculed the claim that Indian members of Government had done their duty in the absence of Congress members in the House. Those members, he declared, had done ill by this country, had acted in a manner that was a standing disgrace. The Finance Member had said that some 830 crores had been collected as loan since the beginning of the war. What asked Mr. Desai did it mean in terms of human value? At the same time money due to India had been sterilised and the country had been told this was not the time to discuss Britain's liability.

The Commonwealth Relations Member had flouted the wishes of the House that he should not send a representative of the Government of India to South Africa.

He had done nothing to prevent the deterioration of the Indian position in South Africa. The Home Member had tried to make great play with numbers of detenus. Did it really matter what was the number of persons put in jail? What mattered was who were the persons dealt with in this fashion and for what offence. Even if one man was kept in prison without trial and for an offence which the people of the country did not consider an offence, then those who kept that man in jail did not deserve well of the country.

BHULABHAI'S CHALLENGE

Mr. Desai went on to ask to what purpose were the two and a half million Indian troops being used. For whose democracy were they shedding their blood? We are willing to undertake the responsibility for fighting if only we are fighting for our freedom along with the freedom of theirs. Mr. Desai said that by reason of the fact that their soldiers were in this country, the Americans had come to acquire a great deal of respect for the people of this country and were interested in the freedom of this country.

In any case, said Mr. Desai, the freedom of this country could not depend on his calling the Indian Members of Government patriots. "I assure you I am prepared to risk losing freedom rather than call you a patriot," he asserted (laughter).

Reverting to the Sterling Balances, Mr. Desai said they were the result of starvation and famine and he would not accept any settlement about it made by this Government. "But I would make a present of all the Sterling balances if England will say that from tomorrow we are free to arrange our affairs."

SIR SULTAN AHMED DEFENDS PROPAGANDA

Sir Sultan Ahmed, Leader of the House, said he did not wish to emulate the Opposition in the use of intemperate language but he could not allow the Leader of the Opposition to run away with one observation which he had made without challenge. Mr. Desai had put the question whether Indian Members of the Government had advanced the cause of India's freedom by one inch. Sir Sultan respectfully answered. We have done certainly much more by sticking to our places here than you have done. (Interruptions from the Opposition) Freedom of the country about which the Opposition members had talked so much, was freedom of his country, just as much it was freedom of their country. "You have no monopoly of patriotism," he asserted. "You may rest assured you are not serving your country simply by abusing those who are doing their job."

IN AMERICA

Sir Sultan went on to refute the allegations made about the Government of India carrying on propaganda in America. Malicious and fantastic statements had been made, he said, about Indian publicity in India. Mr. J. J. Singh, for instance, had made the statement that the Indian National Congress was the only political party in India representing all the various classes and communities. But when Mr. Singh heard that the Muslim League and the Hindu Mahasabha were also going to send out representatives to America to place their case before the American public, he came forward with the plea that the presentation of communal views in America would weaken the Indian case and strengthen the British case. Incidentally, that statement demolished Mrs. Pandit's statement that there were no religious differences in this country at all. As regards Mrs. Pandit's other statement that the whole of India was a concentration camp, Sir Sultan said that the Home Member had dealt with that charge but the question had been asked how many were convicted prisoners. Sir Sultan gave the figure as 26,000 after the August disturbances and said out of that number 21,000 had been released and only 5,000 remained. But he asserted, that if they were convicted and sentenced by courts of law, it could not be said that Indian Members of the Government were responsible for it.

WHY CALL THEM "RICE SOLDIERS"

Refuting the statement that Indian soldiers were rice soldiers, Sir Sultan confessed nothing had pained him more than this derogatory expression. "If India is to get freedom it will not be because you people have gone to jail but because they have shed the last drop of their blood." (Cheers). In May last, he had visited Imphal and Viceroy's Commissioned Officers with whom he had talks, told him: "Go and tell our countrymen that we will not return to India until we have driven the Japanese out of Burma." (cheers). Did the detractors realise that one Indian Division supported by a Tank division annihilated three Japanese divisions? Instead of paying a tribute to these people, they were being called rice soldiers. He would be ashamed of speaking in those terms.

Sir Sultan went on to deny the statement that the Indian Information Services had issued hundreds of books in America. That was a lie, he declared. Not one book had been issued. It was a black lie that the Agent-General was devoting his time to spoon feeding Indian students and publicists or that the Agent General was getting 52,000 dollars a year to carry on anti-Indian propaganda, that ten thousand British propagandists were devoting their time to anti-Indian propaganda, or that the British Information Services distributed copies of Miss Mayo's book 'Mother India'.

Sir Sultan declared that both Mr. Singh and Mrs Pandit could never mislead American opinion (Mr. Qaiyum: Why take notice of them?) (laughter).

In reply to an interruption by Mr. Bhulabhai Desai asking why the Government of India should undertake to deny the statement that there were no religious differences in India, Sir Sultan said it was no use shutting our eyes to facts or denying that problems existed. Problems, he added, could only be solved by accepting them and tackling them with a full knowledge of their magnitude and extent.

The House divided and passed the motion by a majority of eight votes. —A.P.

Walk-Out In N. W. F. P. Assembly

Congress No-Confidence Motion Admitted

PESHAWAR, March 9.

The no-confidence motion against the Muslim League Ministry tabled by Dr. Khan Sahib, leader of the Congress Party has been admitted by the speaker of the Frontier Assembly and will be taken up on March 12.

The Congress Party for the first time since 1939 attended the Assembly to-day, when the budget session opened. 21 members sat on the Congress benches, fifteen on the Ministerial benches and two occupied independent seats.

The speaker ruled out Mr. Bhanju Ram Gandhi's (Congress) point of order that the house should be adjourned as a no-confidence motion had been admitted against the Ministry and that the Finance Minister should not present the budget.

The Finance Minister, Sardar Abdur Rab Nishtar thereupon delivered his budget speech, but as soon as he rose from his seat, the Congress Party and two independent M. L. A.'s. withdrew from the house.

DEFICIT BUDGET

Presenting the budget estimates in the Frontier Assembly to-day Sardar Abdur Rab Nishtar, Finance Minister disclosed a prospective revenue deficit of Rs. 12, 24,000 for the next year. —A. P.

Three More M. L. A.'s Cross Floor

PESHAWAR, March 9.—Another member of the Frontier Ministerial Party, Khan Sahib Faizulla Khan, resigned from the Party and informed the Speaker to allot him a seat as an independent member. It is likely that he will vote against the Ministry. Mr. Abdur Rasnid Khan, Parliamentary Secretary, has also resigned from his post and from the membership of the Ministerial Party. It is stated he may not be able to attend the sittings of the Assembly due to his serious illness.

Raju Manuchehr has already tendered his resignation from the post of Parliamentary Secretary.

In view of the development, the strength of the Opposition is stated to be 25 now in a house of 44. The motion of no confidence which is being moved in the Assembly will, it is understood, come up for discussion on March 12.—United Press.



The new Revenue Minister of Sind, Khan Bahadur Haji Moula Baksh, brother of the late Mr. Allah Baksh (Ex-Premier of Sind).

"British Fleet More Than Welcome In Pacific"

United States Pacific Fleet Hq. Guam, March 9: Admiral Raymond Spruance, Commander of United States Fifth Fleet in the Pacific, said at a Press Conference to-day 'British units are more than welcome in the Pacific. No Admiral ever has enough ships and we will use all we can lay hands on."—Reuter.

KISANS MUST SPIN TO PREVENT SLAVERY

Their Organisations Though Independent Are Parts Of Congress, Says Mahatma

SEWAGRAM, March 8: Mahatma Gandhi in reply to a question from the Tamilnad deputation regarding the Kisan organisation said, "They may be independent organisations and yet parts of the Congress and subject to its discipline." The deputation was led by Mr. Bhaktavatsalam, M.L.A., Madras.

Mahatma Gandhi defined a Kisan as one who actually works on his own or others land. Handloom weavers in Tamilnad and their dependents, he said, must spin if they want to avoid ultimate starvation and slavery. If handloom weavers double the quantity of handspun yarn, they would weave the same with more ease than machine-made yarn.

Regarding labour, Mahatma Gandhi stated that wherever labourers sought Congressman's guidance that should be given. For detailed instructions regarding labour, he referred the deputation to Mr. Gulzarilal Nanda, Ahmedabad Labour leader.

The Andhra deputation will see Mahatma Gandhi tomorrow.—A.P.

Andhra Workers Meet Mahatma

WARDHAGANJ, March 9.

Mr. A. Kaleshwar Rao, ex-Parliamentary Secretary Madras, Mr. K. Chandraman, M.L.A., Mr. M. Bapi Naudu, Mr. T. Viswanandham, M.L.A., Mr. M. Pallam Raju, M.L.A., and Mr. K. Sanjiv Reddy, General Secretary of the Andhra Congress Assembly Party, arrived here this morning from Bezawada. They met Gandhiji this afternoon in connection with various items of the constructive programme and Kisan work in Andhra Province.

Prof. N. G. Ranga is expected to arrive this evening from Delhi to join the deputationists.—United Press.

A. I. S. A. Trustees To Discuss New Charkha Sangh Policy

SEVAGRAM, March 6: A meeting of the trustees of the All-India Spinners' Association will be held on March 25 and 26 under the presidentship of Mahatma Gandhi to consider and decide upon the various practical questions arising out of the execution of the new oriented policy of the Charkha Sangh and in respect of all-round village service.

The annual meeting of the All-India Hindusthani Talimi Sangha will be held here on March 26 and 27 under the presidentship of Dr. Zakir Husain and Mahatma Gandhi will guide the deliberations. Committees for preparing syllabus for basic, post-basic and adult education as recommended by the National Education Conference will be appointed at this meeting.—U. P.

Ban On Prajamandal Party Removed

(From Our Correspondent)

BARODA, March 9.

The Baroda Government withdrew the ban put on Prajamandal Rastriya Party.

Detenus Released But Interned

SYLHET ASSAM, March 7: The Assam Government have released three security prisoners Mr. Labanya Kumar Choudhury, said to be the "dictator" of the Sylhet District Congress Committee, Mr. Chanchal Kumar Sarma, a Communist, and Mr. Ajay Kumar Sarma a student. They were later interned within various municipal areas.—A. P.

More U-Boats Destroyed In February

LONDON, March 9: A joint statement issued by President Roosevelt and Mr. Churchill says that during February a moderate number of Allied merchant vessels fell victim to U-boat activity. However, anti-submarine forces were successful in destroying more enemy submarines in February than in January.—Reuter.

Sidhva Allowed To Attend Assembly Sessions

Sind Govt. Withdraws Restraint Orders Passed Against Congress Legislators

KARACHI, March 9.

It is reliably learnt that the Government of Sind has decided to withdraw the restraint order recently passed against Mr. R. K. Sidhva, leader of the Congress Assembly Party.

This order had formed the subject matter of an adjournment motion on February 23.

The Government has also decided to withdraw a similar order against Mr. Meghraj Lal, M. L. A., Congress. Mr. Sidhva and Mr. Meghraj Lal are now allowed to attend the Budget session of the Sind Assembly.

The above decision is being pointed out as an indication of the Premier's mind to fulfil the terms which are reported to have formed the basis of the agreement between the Premier and Khan Bahadur Mouabux when the latter entered the Hidayatullah Cabinet. These terms also included the immediate release of all Congress prisoners in Sind.

According to political circles the Premier may soon take a decision in this matter.—A. P.

Restriction Order On Alim Gidwani

KARACHI, March 9.

Mr. Alim T. Gidwani, President of the Sind Provincial Forward Bloc, who had been detained since August 9 1942, was released and was served with an order under the Restriction and Detention Ordinance requiring him not to leave Karachi and participate in public meetings and processions for a period of six months.—A. P.

"U. S. State Dept. Favours Abolition Of Discrimination"

Statement On Behalf Of Acting Secretary Of State

WASHINGTON, March 8 (Reuter): The United States Department of State strongly believes that "the existing discrimination against the people of India in our immigration and naturalisation laws should be removed."

This was stated at the Hearings today by the House Immigration Committee on the Luce Celler Bill to permit Indians of the eastern hemisphere to enter the United States on a quota basis, in a statement read on behalf of the acting Secretary of State, Mr. Joseph C. Grew.

WASHINGTON: Attorney-General Francis Biddle, in testifying today, told the House Immigration Committee that Great Britain is not opposed to Indian immigration legislation. He added that it was his opinion that Britain should "welcome" it.—U. P. A.

J. J. Singh's Evidence

WASHINGTON, March 8.

Calling for legislation authorising admission and naturalisation of Indians in the United States, Sirdar J. J. Singh, President of the India League of America, to-day declared that removal of the "barred zone" in immigration was necessary towards ending racial discrimination, intolerance and superiority which are "Hitlerian theories and which must result in fars".

Such a step would also be another blow against the Japanese.

Sirdar Singh was submitting to the Appropriate Committee of the House of Representatives a memorandum on the proposed bill which is backed by leading citizens from every state in the union including businessmen, journalists, labour officials, religious leaders and educators.

Mr. Henry Wallace, United States Secretary for Commerce, was among those who had written favouring its adoption.

Mr. J. L. Dodds, Chairman of the India Committee in the Foreign Missions Conference of North America—an agency operating on behalf of 124 foreign mission boards and agencies in the United States and Canada—said that India had earned the right through her contribution to the United Nations' war effort.

NATAL INDIAN CONGRESS ELECTIONS

Protest Against Postponement

DURBAN, March 8.—One hundred and fifty-seven delegates representing 97 affiliated organisations at the Fifth Conference of the Anti-Segregation Council today strongly protested against the postponement of Natal Indian Congress Elections. The Conference decided to take steps to compel holding of elections at the earliest and resolved that until then the Executive Committee of the Congress would not be authorised to speak on behalf of the Indian community.

The Conference renewed the demand for the recall of the High Commissioner and severance of economic relations between India and South Africa, and for application of sanctions by India until the Pegging Act was unconditionally repealed.—Reuter.

ALGERIAN MUSLIMS IN FRANCE CAN VOTE

PARIS March 9: The French Cabinet at its meeting this morning accorded the right to vote to Algerian Muslims who were living in France for at least a year before the war.

GOEBBELS PREDICTS SUDDEN END OF WAR

LONDON, March 8 (Reuter): The German News Agency today quoted Goebbel's as saying in an article in "Das Reich" that the war has passed its climax and would have a sudden end.

"Right to the end" he said "fighting on the fronts will remain fluid with every one of the belligerents trying to force victory to his side. This last round will bring decision.

The war is swayed by forces of the spirit and the soul which count at least as much as material factors. The German people treasure the national strength which weighs heavily in the scales. This asset will fully bear fruit only after a certain time and the people must wait for the turn of the tide."

Editors' Conference Committee Meeting

BOMBAY, March 9.

It is announced that the Standing Committee of the All-India Newspaper Editors' Conference will meet in "The Hindustan Times" Office at Delhi at 10-30 a.m. on Saturday the 24th inst. —A. P.

RENEWAL OF RATION CARDS IN CITY AND SUBURBS

(WEEK—MARCH 11 TO MARCH 17)

The work of renewing the current ration cards in Bombay City and the Bombay Suburban District by pasting slips over the reverse side will be done during the week March 11 to March 17 at the shops mentioned below:—

Those whose cards are registered at any of those shops should send all the cards of the household on the usual day during the week when they normally draw their rations and got them renewed. Cards should be got renewed even if no rations are drawn during the week.

RATIONS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO BE DRAWN ON UNRENEWED CARDS DURING SUBSEQUENT WEEKS.

The hours for renewal and also for issue of rations at ration shops concerned during the week will be 8-30 a.m. to 11-30 a.m. and 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. and at the Government Grain Shops 8-30 a.m. to 12 noon and 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.

A WARD—RATION SHOPS—Nos. 4, 18, 354, 503, 515, 549, and 551. GOVERNMENT GRAIN SHOPS—Nos. 2. 155 and 162.

B WARD—RATION SHOPS—Nos. 25, 30, 41, 45 and 562. GOVERNMENT GRAIN SHOPS—Nos. 87, 159, 243. CO-OPERATIVE STORES—No. 11.

C WARD—RATION SHOPS. Nos. 68, 69, 70, 71, 75, 112, 388, 444, 482, 487 and 518. GOVERNMENT GRAIN SHOPS—Nos. 45, 136 and 223. CO-OPERATIVE STORES—No. 36. COMMUNAL STORE—No. 46.

D WARD—RATION SHOPS—Nos 86, 90, 93, 147, 373, 437, 474, 536 and 552. GOVERNMENT GRAIN SHOPS—Nos. 24, 118, 122, and 165. CO-OPERATIVE STORE—No. 5. COMMUNAL STORES—Nos 22 and 67.

E (EAST)—RATION SHOPS—Nos. 193, 197, 199, 218, 219, 412 and 550. GOVERNMENT GRAIN SHOP—No 67.

E (WEST—RATION SHOPS—Nos. 94, 96, 143, 152, 155, 221, 369, 386, 463 and 505. GOVERNMENT GRAIN SHOPS—Nos. 19 and 186. COMMUNAL STORES—Nos, 37 and 72.

F (NORTH)—RATION SHOPS—Nos. 248, 270, 280, 418, 440. GOVERNMENT GRAIN SHOPS—Nos. 30 and 47.

F (SOUTH)—RATION SHOPS—Nos. 261, 262, 367, and 514. GOVERNMENT GRAIN SHOPS—Nos. 21, 64 and 196.

G (NORTH)—RATION SHOPS—Nos. 325, 326, 327, 343, 346, 347 and 421. GOVERNMENT GRAIN SHOPS—Nos. 77 and 137. CO-OPERATIVE STORES—No. 7. COMMUNAL STORES—Nos. 18 and 73.

G (SOUTH)—RATION SHOPS—Nos. 316, 336, 434, 466 and 540. GOVERNMENT GRAIN SHOP—No. 70. CO-OPERATIVE STORE—No. 32.

BANDRA—RATION SHOPS—Nos. 27, 30 31, 32 and 33. GOVERNMENT GRAIN SHOPS—Nos. 96 and 207. CO-OPERATIVE STORE—No. 2.

BORIVLI—RATION SHOPS—Nos. BOR/1 and BOR/2.

PARLE-ANDHERI—RATION SHOPS—Nos B/1, B/2, B/3, B/4, and MDA/12. GOVERNMENT GRAIN SHOP—No. 100.

MALAD—RATION SHOP—No. MD/1. GOVERNMENT GRAIN SHOP—No. 133.

KURLA—RATION SHOPS—Nos. K/18 and K/19. GOVERNMENT GRAIN SHOP—No. 200.

GHATKOPAR—RATION SHOPS—Nos. C/1, C/2, C/3, C/4, and C/5.

MULUND—RATION SHOP—No. ML/7.

Grand Reception To 'Shakuntala' On Stage

"Uspar" And "Hospital" Released: "Caravan" Next Week At Opera House

By T. V. P.

The gathering of stage enthusiasts and the press which attended the premiere of Prithvi Theatres' "Shakuntala" on Friday night at Royal Opera House went into raptures over the superb performance which not only captured the poetic and dramatic greatness of the original classic of Kalidas but transformed the very concept of Indian stage production.

The lyrical adaptation in Hindustani by Pandit Betab who blended poetry and drama in his inimitable style, the new technique of presentation which combined several screen effects with stage apparatus, the superb acting by all the artistes of Prithvi Theatres with Prithviraj's portrayal of Dushyant and Uzra Mumtaz's rendering of Shakuntala as highlights, the artistic sets, the scintillating musical score were harmoniously blended.



Kumaris Raynah and Pamela as they appear in the Vatika-Vihar dance in the music and dance programme in aid of the Karnatak Free Night High School, Bombay, to be held at the Sunderabai Hall on Sunday afternoon.

SAFEGUARD AGAINST ANIMAL PLAGUE

40,000 Buffaloes To Be Vaccinated

(From Our Correspondent)

BANDRA, March 8: In order to safeguard the future milk supply of Bombay City and Suburbs, Government has now started compulsory vaccination of buffaloes against rinderpest, commonly known as animal plague in Bombay City and Suburbs.

Mr. S. R. Chadha, Director of Veterinary Surgeons for Bombay Province along with a special staff of 14 veterinary surgeons are now touring the Suburban District and they are to vaccinate about 40,000 buffaloes. This vaccination said Mr. Chadha, will safeguard the milch cattle against dangerous cattle plague which annually takes toll of many buffaloes. This vaccination is being carried out free at Government expense as a means of increasing the milk supply which usually goes down every year owing to the death of several buffaloes. Vaccination holds good for about ten years.

PEDNEKAR GOUD-SARASWAT BRAHMIN SAMAJ

On behalf of the above Samaj, a Prize of Rs. 20 will be awarded to the successful candidate, securing the highest number of marks in the ensuing Matriculation Examination of the Bombay University. Desiring successful candidates of the above community, are, accordingly, requested to send their applications to the Secretary, at Neroy Building, 27 B, Khota's Wadi, Bombay 4, within one month from the date of declaration of Matric result, stating their seat numbers and marks obtained.

AUCTION SALES

AUCTION SALE OF ACCESSORIES AND SPARE PARTS OF MOTOR TRANSPORT

By order of the Controller of Supplies, Disposals Branch, Bombay Messrs. Gandhi & Co. will offer for sale by Public Auction on Tuesday 13th inst. at 10-30 a. m. (S. T.) at the Port Salvage Depot, Haji Bunder, Bombay:—

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Kumar in 'Caravan' coming to Opera House.

A Hero In His Teens

Lahore has fully agreed with Bombay in its evaluation of Prabhat's musical comedy "Chand". The picture continues to take the cheer from a crowded house in either city. Each city, too, has picked on the same artiste for special favour. It need hardly be stated that the favourite is the lad Balakram.

In his early teens, Balakram is something of a marvel. He is no prodigy. That is a fact in his favour. For, in his unaffected boyishness, lies his true charm. As a singer, he has few rivals of his age. As an actor, he is one of those of whom Prabhat may well be proud; for, Prabhat has always taken a legitimate pride in creating juvenile stars.

"Uspar" At Capitol

Sun Arts' 'Uspar' has featured Charlie the Comedian and has given full scope to his talents as a humorous actor. It was released at Capitol yesterday. Charlie is shown as going to the help of a girl who has absconded from an orphanage and is in search of a job. Ishwarlal, Suvarnalata, Chandramohan, Kanaiyalal and Sulochana Chatarji are in the supporting cast.

24th Week Of "Dera"

A week hence, Rajkamal's third picture in succession will have the distinction of celebrating a silver jubilee in Bombay. This time, the distinction will be earned by "Parbat Pe Apna Dera", a social picture produced and directed by Shantaram. As critics have averred time and again, "Parbat Pe Apna Dera" is quite a different type of picture presenting a psychological study in an allegorical manner and the popularity of the picture indicates the public stamp of approval on Shantaram's new technique of presentation and selection of an unusual subject.

"Caravan" Next Week

Ranjit's musical "Caravan" presents the life of the wandering tribes on the screen. Gypsies lead a colourful life wherein music and dance play a great part. Apparently engrossed in these two arts, the gypsies are like other human beings subject to moods and emotions. They have a peculiar code of honour and this happy-go-lucky tribe sticks to it with almost a religious zeal. It is this code of honour that is depicted in all its veracity in Ranjit's "Caravan" to be released next Saturday at Royal Opera House.

Kamla Chatterjee, the vivacious star of Ranjit plays the role of a Gypsy maid in this picture. Arun is the Gypsy boy. Rani Premlata plays the role of the Matinee idol of the stage who wants to have the Gypsy boy all to herself. Director Aspi has treated the subject with delicacy.

"Hospital" At Kamal

Kananbala with her superb gift for melodious music has triumphed once again in 'Hospital' released yesterday at Kamal Talkies. It is an M. P. production around the life of doctors and nurses. Director Sushil Muzumdar has treated this theme beautifully and from an idealist viewpoint. Ahin Chowdhary and Jehar Ganguly have given convincing performances. Much of the credit of the success of the picture is due to Music Director Kamal Das Gupta.



KANAN BALA.

"Naujawan" Music On The Disc

Music lovers will be glad to know that H.M.V. is getting ahead with the song records of Filmistan's popular picture "Chal Chal re Naujavan". Two records have just been placed on the market. The four songs chosen for these, are the shorter, lighter lyrics, those which reveal the poet Pradeep's subtler grace of sentiment. Two are Naseem-Ashok duets—one, showing the tender sprout of love; the other, the bright little prelude to the heavy cadence of the hurricane.

Matching this disc, is the other one—giving the flower girl's inimitable teaser-song; and the chorus which has reputedly led its leader Miss. Indumati Phatak to stardom.

There is little doubt that these long-looked-for records will have a quick off-take. Pradeep's songs have always been popular. Meanwhile, the issue is well timed, for "Naujavan" is being released within the next few days in Poona, Nasik, Baroda and Ahmedabad.

Other Popular Favourites

"My Sister" New theatres fine photo-play starring Saigal, Baby Akhtar and Nirmala at Central is easily the best liked old favourite. So is Bombay Talkies 'Jwar Bhata' with Mumdula in the leading role. "Bare Nawab Saheb" at Taj, "Ismat" at Lamington, 'Shakuntala' at Swastik, 'Ramrajya' at Super are the other favourites and of course 'Dassi' about which no fuss is made but which has earned the certain esteem of fans are all hot favourites yet.

Devaki Bose For "Krishna Leela"

Producer Lakhmidas Anand has signed up Devaki Bose for the story, scenario and supervision of his forthcoming costume picture, "Krishna Leela" starring Kanan Bala.

'Aina' At Imperial

D. R. D. Productions present a magic mirror of a novel type in which one can see the reflections of joy and sorrow, virtue and vice of our everyday life.

Innumerable sweet homes are shattered only because one member of the family is nasty. D. R. D.'s 'Aina' reflects one of those unhappy shattered homes.

'Aina' is running in the sixth week at local Imperial and the picture is well worth a visit.

'Samrat Chandragupta"

Sweeping in its magnitude, dazzling in its splendour, stupendous in dramatic content and inspiring in its theme, Jayant Desai's ambitious offering "Samrat Chandragupta" is creating new record of popularity for historical films at New West End where it is drawing full houses in every show in the 3rd week.



Charlie in 'Uspar' at Capitol

This record popularity of "Samrat Chandragupta" is perhaps the greatest tribute that could be ever paid to the picture and its creator Jayant Desai. Besides "Samrat Chandragupta" is an object lesson in producing a historical picture in a way that would not only provide the audience the fullest measure of entertainment but also arouse their self-respect and patriotism.



Balakram in 'Chand'.

Ichalkaranji Demand For Yarn

SANGLI, March 7: The Factory-Owners' Association at Ichalkaranji (composed of nine big factories running more than 25 looms) has made a representation to the Textile Commissioner, Bombay, setting out their difficulties in obtaining yarn to keep their looms working.

The Association has already submitted a request to the Prime Minister and Ministers, Kolhapur, to attend to their needs as early as possible. The Association states that if they do not succeed in getting yarn, nearly 3,000 mill-hands will be thrown out of employment.

It is recalled that the Association has already given notice to their workers that they will have to close their mills after March 21 if no yarn becomes available during the intervening period.—A. P.

BELGIUM BUYING U. S. A. COTTON.

NEW YORK, March 8: The Belgian Economic Mission here to-day announced its offer to buy 45,000 bales of United States cotton for delivery through April.

The invitation, reported by the American Cotton Shippers Associations, to the New York Stock Exchange, specified strict middling cotton based on New York July futures contracts.

Prompt delivery is requested on one-third of the total with 15,000 bales for the first half of April and 15,000 bales for the second half of April.

LONDON BULLION

LONDON, March 8.

Spot 25-1/2 Forward 25-1/2 Gold Bars Fine per oz. £8/8/0

LONDON, WHEAT

LONDON, March 8.

Wheat Rozario Santa Fe (New crop) 41/7-1/2 March quoted.

Wheat Australia (Bulk)

Wheat Australian (Bags)

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

LONDON, March 8.

	£
Rupee Paper 3-1/2 p c	72-1/2
Consols 2-1/2 p c	33-1/16
Conversion Loan 3-1/2 p c 1961	105-11/16
War Loan 3-1/2 p c	104-15/16
Funding Loan 4 p c 1960/90	115-3/8
Victory Bonds 4 p c	113-3/4
Chartered Bank of I. A. & China	10-15/16
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank (London Reg.)	86
National Bank of India	43

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

BOMBAY, March 9.

3-1/2 p c G. P. Notes	99	10	6
3 p c 1963-65	99	13	6
3 p c 1966-68	98	4	0
4 p c 1960-70	112	14	0
4-1/2 p c 1955-60	117	0	0
3-1/2 p c 1947-50	103	6	0
2-1/4 p c 1948-52	99	9	0
3 p c 1946 Def	102	6	0
3 p c 1949-52 1st	101	6	6
3 p c 1951-54 2nd	100	15	0
3 p c 1953-55 3rd	100	4	0
3 p c 1957 Victory	99	12	6

CORPORATION DEBENT.

4 p c B.P.T. 1974	113	12	0
4 p c M. Deb 1974	113	12	0
5 p c M. Deb. 1959	121	0	0
6 p c M. Deb. 1954	130	0	0
6 p c K.P.T. 1956	130	0	0

TAX-FREE LOANS.

4 p c 1953-63	122	0	0
5 p c Mysore	135	0	0

MONEY MARKET.

BOMBAY, March 9.

LONDON: Banks buying 90 days/st. 1/6 7/32 1 and 2 months, 90 days/st. 1/6 1/4 3 to 6 months.

B. C RATES: T T 1/5 15/16 D D 1/5 15/16.

Banks selling T T 1/5 31/32 D D 1/5 31/32.

Banks buying T T 1/6 1/32 D D 1/6 3/32.

LDN/NEW YORK:

Banks selling T T Rs. 332 3/4 D D Rs. 332 3/4.

Banks buying T T Rs. 329 1/2 D D Rs. 327 1/2.

LDN/MONTREAL:

Banks selling T T Rs. 302 1/2 D D. Rs. 302 1/2.

Banks buying T T Rs. 297 3/4 D D Rs. 295 3/4.

Tone of Sterling Exchange:—Very quiet.

Reserve Bank Rate 3 p c. Bank of England Rate 2 p c.

Money:—Call, one and two months 1/4 p c. 3 to 6 months 1/2 p c. 6 to 11 months 3/4 p c. 12 months 1 1/4 p c.

INDIAN COTTON FIGURES.

BOMBAY, March 7.

RECEIPTS INTO BOMBAY OF INDIAN COTTON.

In full-pressed Bales	yesterday.	This year.	Since 1st Sept. Last year.
Khandesh	.....	21,689	39,150
Central India	521	15,341	31,780
Barsi & Nagar	449	31,306	44,333
Hyderabad/ Gaorani	55	13,798	12,513
Berar	205	99,246	187,220
Central Provinces	.....	19,841	27,472
Total Comras	1,230	201,221	342,468
Dholeras	90	45,135	14,406
N.-W. Provinces	.....	200	491
Rajputana	....	788	91
Sind-Punjab	1,795	229,844	300,759
Broach	531	66,090	52,799
Coompta and Dharwar	.....	32,146	12,523
Westerns-Northerns	210	21,270	5,040
Tinnevelly and Cambodia	.....	4,403	702
Soudan	.....	1	45,619
Egyptian (other than Soudan)	1,120	145,336	66,504
East African	.....	63,955	56,326
Comilla, Burma & other sorts	.....	2,170	1,185
	4,966	812,559	898,913
Arr. by road to 1st March	.....	5,500	4,500

MILITARY MAY REQUIRE FURTHER ACCOMMODATION

Shifting Of War Centre Renders Inconvenience Unavoidable: Govt. Explains Requisition Policy: Appeal For Co-operation

The Director of Information, Bombay, writes:—

"The attention of the Government of Bombay has been drawn to recent criticisms of its requisitioning policy, many of which are believed to be based on insufficient understanding of the present war situation. The success of the war effort in the West has made and will make possible a more vigorous prosecution of the war in the East to bring about a decisive victory as quickly as possible, bringing with it the necessity for further accommodation to meet urgent Military requirements. The Commander-in-Chief has recently pointed out that Bombay will be the most important port in India for this purpose.

It should therefore be clear that increased inconvenience may be unavoidable in Bombay where the problem of accommodation has already become acute and the Government is confident that a common desire for a decisive and early termination of the war in the East will provide the fullest co-operation in shouldering this increased burden.

The Government, in consultation with the Area Commander, is fully alive to the necessity of evolving a policy which will be productive of the minimum hardship. While it will not be possible in the same manner as before to assist those who have to vacate their residences to obtain alternative accommodation, every effort will be made to avoid inconvenience and to give assistance to regular residents of the city as compared with its floating population and to those whose presence is essential to the war effort and to ensure that the burden falls on those most able to bear it. In the meantime each department of the Forces is reviewing the accommodation at its disposal to ensure its most economical use.

It has been urged that temporary residential accommodation should be constructed and the possibility of doing this to a limited degree is under consideration. It is, however, necessary to emphasise the acute shortage of building materials and the transport difficulties in bringing these to Bombay in large quantities. Such materials as are available are in fact fully earmarked for other more important operational requirements in Bombay and elsewhere.

In particular the Government of Bombay and the Military authorities appeal to those citizens who are able to provide substantial accommodation in their houses, or who own more than one residence in Bombay or elsewhere, or office and storage accommodation which can be spared or who can move to smaller residences, to place such accommodation at its disposal in order to lessen the disturbance of the normal life of the city.

BOMBAY PRODUCE

BOMBAY, March 9.

The local castorseeds market was easy on increased selling while Linseed is keeping steady at the British Food Ministry is interested. Groundnuts were neglected. Quotations were under.

GROUNDNUTS	
Khandesh Quality	15 0 0
Nizam Quality	14 5 0
Goa March/April	14 7 0
Goa April/May	14 8 0
CASTORSEEDS	
Ready Bombay	15 2 0
Goa March/April	15 2 0
LINSEED	
N. S. Ry.	15 6 0
G. I. P. Ry.	15 7 0
C.P. & U.P.	15 8 0
Saina	15 1 6

BANK OF ENGLAND RETURN

LONDON, March 8.

	£
Total Bullion	1,766,000
Public deposits	6,300,000
(a) Other deposits	261,500,000
Government securities	232,000,000
(b) Other securities	14,800,000
Notes, gold and silver coin	31,200,000
Notes in circulation	1,220,600,000
Ratio of reserve to liabilities	11.68 p c
(a) Other deposits include bankers deposit	204,100,000
(b) Other securities include discounts and advances	7,800,000
Total deposits	262,900,000
Total securities	246,800,000

With effect from March 8, 1945, telegraphic communication is available with Bulgaria, says a Press Note issued in New Delhi.—A.P.

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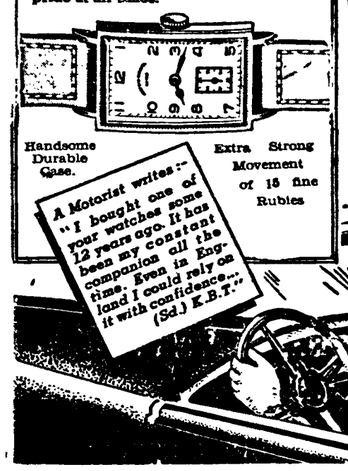
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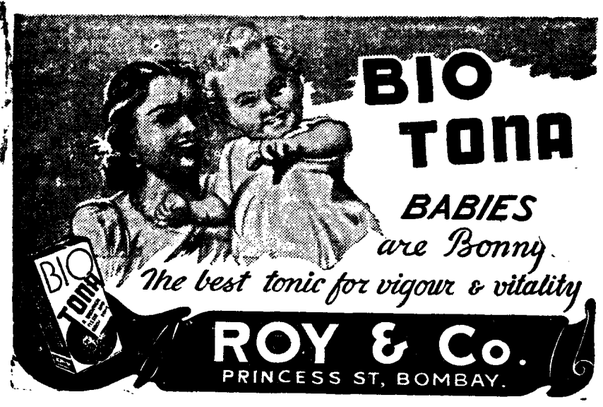
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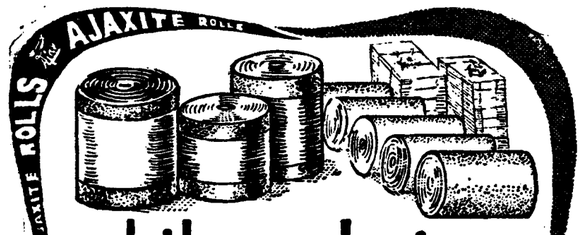
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Heavy Selling In City Markets On Excellent War News

SHARE BAZAR MET NERVOUS UNLOADING

Sharp Decline In Bullion Prices

BOMBAY, March 9.

All leading city markets experienced a sharp drop in quotations under the influence of favourable war news and everpresent threat of a sudden end of the war. There was heavy liquidation which in the absence of any important support resulted in sharp declines and confidence had impaired.

The Stock Exchange displayed nervous feeling and general selling from all sections depressed quotations. As a result of day's trading Tata Steel Dfds. lost Rs. 47/- and Ordinary Rs. 6/- Textiles also downturned rapidly and Dyeings were down Rs. 54/- Century Rs. 60/- Kohinoors Rs. 14/- and Simplex Rs. 6/-.

Bullion market experienced a rude jerk on unloading by so-called market makers. Cotton continued its downward march and traders were awaiting the final judgment of the Super Appeal Committee. The future of cotton prices depends, more upon this decision as the law of supply and demand is not influencing course of price trend.

Being impressed by exceedingly favourable war news the local market opened quiet and declined further under long liquidation. Later on there was some short covering but traders were inclined to await further developments. There is no inclination to buy and beyond short covering there was no support. Tata Steel Dfds. opened at Rs. 1,090 and after declining to Rs. 1070 rallied to Rs. 1,095. Ordinary Shares opened at Rs. 383 and after declining to Rs. 380 improved to Rs. 385. Bombay Dysing Shares opened at Rs. 1,812 and after declining to Rs. 1,790 rallied to Rs. 1,803. Kohinoor Mill Shares opened at Rs. 603 and after declining to Rs. 603 rallied to Rs. 606. Tone was quiet.

TEXTILE SECTION.

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PREF SHARES.

7 p c Andh. Valley 1680 6 p c Bom. Steamer 361/8 7 p c Bom. Tram 70 7 p c Bradbury 525 5 p c Cent. India 737 7 p c Elphinstone 126/4 6-1/2 p c Jupiter 18/14 6 p c Tata 1st 225/10 7-1/2 p c Tata 2nd 160/4 6-1/2 p c Tata Hydro 168/12 7-1/2 p c Tata Power 1782 7 p c Vishnu 802.

DEBENTURES.

4 p c Andh. Valley 107/8 4 p c Tata Power 10-/10 4 p c Tata Chemi. 127/6 6 p c Marsland Pr. 121

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Bombay Cotton

The local cotton market opened quiet to-day at Rs 444 for May delivery and declined to Rs. 440-8 under long liquidation but rallied to Rs 443-8 on short covering. March also after declining to Rs. 435 steadied at Rs. 439. The market is now at the mercy of bear operators and temporarily buyers have withdrawn their support as a result of disappointment caused by the results of appeals.

Later on there was moderate covering and may improved to Rs. 447. The market finally closed at 6 p.m. as under :—

L.C.C. March	439	4	0
L.C.C. May	446	12	0
L.C.C. July	405	12	0

COTTON PARITY

Indian Cotton May Contract is 486 cent points below New York May at exchange rate 301.

HIGH & LOW COTTON PRICES

BOMBAY, March 8.

	High	Low	Close
I C C March	452	439	439
I C C May	401/8	446	446/8
I C C July	461/12	407	405
Karachi May	47/11	46/6	46/12

COTTON TENDERS

BOMBAY, March 8.

	Today	Total
March	1,400	55,700

NETT PROFIT £98,704-14

Making with brought forward £177,876-2-1, Directors have appropriated £50,000 to Reserve Fund Directors recommend for approval at Gere al Meeting 21st March Final Dividend payable 28th March 3s. less tax 8s. 2d. in the pound sterling after allowing for dominion tax relief carry forward £72,876-2-1. Reserve Fund further increased by transfer £50,000 from contingency account making Reserve Fund £700 000. Transfer Books closed March 14 to March 27 both inclusive.

RECORD OF ACTUAL TRANSACTIONS IN SHARES

BOMBAY, March 9.

MILLS

Apollo 4/4
B. Dyeing 1812/8 1795 1800
Central India (Ord) 375 71
Century 840
Colaba 220
Edward 765
Elphinstone (Ord) 86
Elphinstone (Pref) 125
Finlay 310
Gokak 299
India United Df 3/0/6 3/1
India United (Ord) 14/11 14/1
Indore 642/8
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THREAT OF LABOUR TROUBLES IN COTTON MILLS

Increased Selling In N. Y. Cotton

NEW YORK March 8.

The ever present legislative uncertainties and continued good war news and early peace ideas and the threatening labour troubles in New England mills have created cautiousness. Prices declined on liquidation and uncovering of some stoplss orders, and the statement credited to the President of the American Farm Bureau that no legislation would be sought to revise the parity formula. The market closed easy. At the opening July was quoted one point lower at 21.87 and improved to 21.9% which was the highest level reached at noon. Thereafter there was heavy selling and July declined 26 points from the high level and reached 21.66 which was the lowest level for the day. Thereafter there was some enquiry and forty rallied to 21.74. The market closed at a net decline of 11 to 16 points. Spot cotton price was reduced 10 points at 23.30c. per lb.

NEW YORK COTTON

NEW YORK, March 8.

March	22.10—12
May	22.01+16
May	22.01 —16
July	21.74—14
October	21.16—11
December	21.03—16
January	20.97—16
July highest (12-12 p m)	21.92+04
July lowest (2-34 p m)	21.66—22
Middling Spot	22.31—15

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

NEW YORK, March 8.

March	21.95—13
May	22.00+13
July	21.74—13
Middling Spot	21.55—10

NOON CALL

NEW YORK March 8.

March	22 22
May	22.16
July	21.89

HEAVY LIQUIDATION IN BULLION MARKET

Sharp Decline In Prices

BOMBAY, March 9.

As pointed out before, bullion market was again influenced by excellent war news and hopes of an early peace. There was heavy general long liquidation which resulted in sharp decline in prices. The sharp drop attracted scattered covering which steadied quotations with a small rally from low levels reached during the early part of the session.

The Reserve Bank sold 14,000 tolas gold at Rs 72/2 to Rs. 72/3 and 300 bars silver at Rs 127/5 to Rs. 128/6 It was announced that the sales of gold will be raised to 25,000 tolas on Monday.

In the local market forward silver opened at Rs. 127 and declined to Rs. 125/8 under heavy selling and later rallied to Rs 126/4 on short covering. Ready silver were quoted at Rs. 126/10.

Trading in forward commenced at Rs. 72/4 and after improving to Rs. 72/10 declined to Rs. 71/8 and later steadied at Rs. 72 Ready gold was quoted at Rs. 72/4. The market was erratic with a large turnover.

The market ruled quiet with a complete change in the general sentiment with an inclination to sell on bulges. Closing quotations were as under :—

Ready Silver	126	12	0
Silver Settlement	126	8	0
Gold Ready	72	8	0
Gold Settlement	72	2	0
Sovereigns	40	8	10

BHUJ March 8.

To-day Hundi Kories 351/8, Silver Rs. 108/12, Gold Rs. 71/12.



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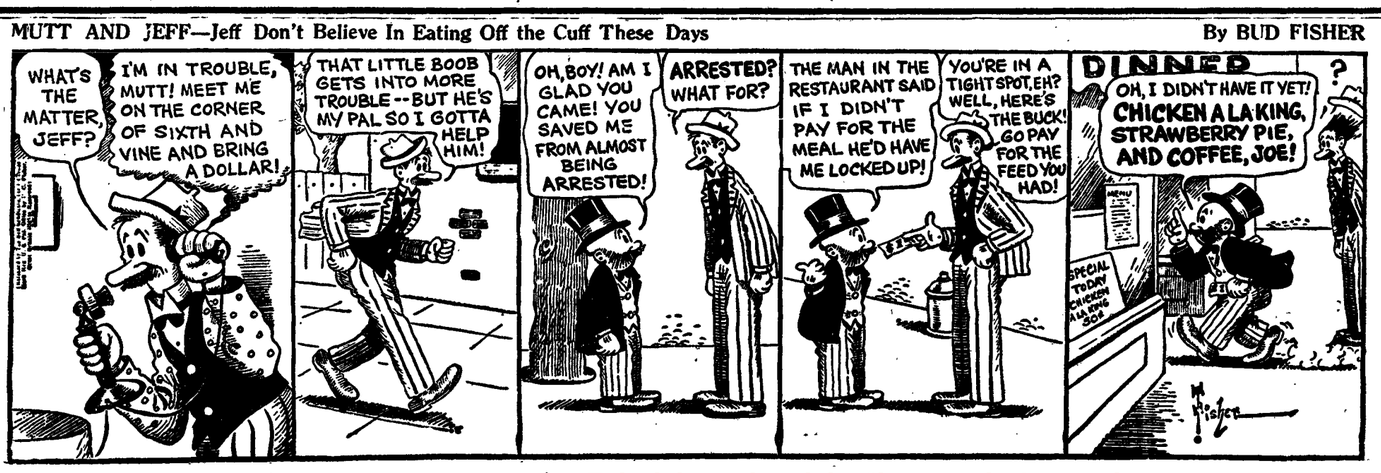
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Wanted two Clerks preferably graduates with knowledge of accounts and one typist. Apply Nanikram Sobhraj Mills, Ltd., Railwaypura, Post Ahmedabad. 2355

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Wanted for the Works Office of Tata Chemicals Ltd., at Mithapur, Kathiawar, qualified and experienced Accounts Clerks having passed B. Com. Examination with Accountancy as principal subject. Must be ready for immediate engagement. Applications, with copies of testimonials giving full particulars and terms required should be sent to Tata Chemicals Ltd., Bombay House, Bruce Street, Fort, Bombay not later than 15th March, 1945. 2380

Wanted a Malaria expert for three months. Apply with testimonials and stating previous experience with the minimum salary expected to the Dewan, Morvi State, Morvi. 2290

Wanted for the Works Office of Tata Chemicals Ltd., at Mithapur, Kathiawar, clerks having experience of general office work. Must be ready for immediate engagement. Applications, with copies of testimonials giving full particulars of qualifications and terms required should be sent to Tata Chemicals Ltd. Bombay House, Bruce Street, Fort Bombay, not later than 15th March, 1945. 2380

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PUBLIC NOTICES

THE NATIONAL SECURITY BANK LTD.

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LALJIBHAI J. THAKKAR
Managing Director
(2383)

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for the post of a CLERK in the Personal Office of H.H. the Maharaja of Jammu and Kashmir. This post carries the salary of Rs. 175|- p.m. plus dearness allowance of Rs. 30|- p.m. for the duration of the war.

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AGENCIES WANTED

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PUBLIC NOTICES

THE ARYAN CHAMPION INSURANCE CO., LTD.

BOMBAY.

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company at Botawala Building, Elphinstone Circle, Fort, Bombay on TUESDAY, the 10th April, 1945, at 3 P.M. (S.T.) when the following Resolutions will be proposed as Special Resolutions:—

SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS.

1. "That Article 87 of the Articles of Association of the Company be deleted."
2. "That the following Resolution passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on 31st July 1944 be and it is hereby rescinded.

"Subject to the sanction if any required of the Examiner of Capital of Issues (and subject to 60,000 newly sanctioned Ordinary Shares of Rs. 10|- each of the Company being applied for and allotted), Resolved that the said 60,000 shares be and are hereby consolidated into 20,000 Ordinary Shares of Rs. 20|- each, on which Rs. 10|- per share will be deemed as paidup and Rs. 10- per share will remain uncalled and unpaid and that the unpaid capital per share will not be called up until 31st December 1950."

3. "That the following Resolution passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on 31st July 1944 be and it is hereby rescinded.

"Resolved that all the 5,650 Ordinary Shares of Rs. 10|- each paid at Rs. 5|- each be and are hereby consolidated into 2825 Ordinary Shares of Rs. 20|- each on which Rs. 10|- per share will be deemed as paid up and Rs. 10|- per share will remain uncalled and unpaid and that the unpaid capital per share will not be called up until 31st December 1950."

4. "That the following Resolution passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on 31st July 1944 be and it is hereby rescinded.

"Resolved that the unsubscribed preference capital of Rs. 1,22 200|- consisting of 12,220 Redeemable Preference Shares of Rs. 10|- each be and is hereby cancelled and treated as Ordinary Share capital, and resolved further that the whole of the unissued capital of the Company be and is hereby divided into shares of Rs. 20|- each.

By order of the Board,
D. M. KUMTA,
Manager.

Bombay, 8th March, 1945.

To the Shareholders of the Company and in particular to:— Mr. Naranbhai Mithabhai Patel, Mr. Kalidas Maganbhai Patel, Messrs. Jechand Kachra & Co., Mr. Rambhai Mathurbhai Patel, Mr. Chandubhai Kalidas Patel, Mr. Dahyabhai Hathibhai Patel, Mr. Ambalal Vaghjibhai Patel, Mr. Ravishankar Jeshankar Jani, Mr. Raojibhai Lalaji Patel, Mr. Prabhudas Ishwarbhai Patel, Mr. Shankerbhai Baberbhai Patel, Mr. Purshottam Dayabhai Amin, Mr. Vithalbhai Ishwarbhai Amin, Mr. Himabhai Umedbhai Patel. Messrs Kashibhai B. Patel & Brothers, Mr. Amrutlal Fulchand Mehta, Mr. Rambhai Chaturbhai Patel, Mr. Dahyabhai Narshibhai Patel, Mr. Luis Vincent Noronha, Mr. Ishwerbhai Chunibhai Patel.

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THE AZAM JAHI MILLS, LIMITED.

(Incorporated in Hyderabad-Dn).

NOTICE.

SINCE the posting of the notice convening the 14th Ordinary General Meeting, and the Directors Report together with the Audited Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Account, a notice has been received by the Co. on 1st March 1945 duly signed by 3 members authorised to vote intimating to the Company their desire to appoint Messrs. S. B. Billimoria & Co., as joint auditors with Messrs. Nataraja Iyer and Co. and it is likely that the said proposition may be moved at the ensuing general meeting by the signatories to the notice.

C. S. TYABJEE,
Managing Agent,
For the Industrial Trust Fund,
Secretaries, Treasurers and Agents
H.E.H. the Nizam's Government.
Hyderabad-Dn.
D|6th March, 1945.
(2438)

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for the temporary post of a Steno-Typist in the Department of Industries, Bombay. Pay Rs. 50-5|2-90 PLUS short-hand allowance according to speed plus dearness allowance admissible. Higher starting pay in the grade may be given to a suitable candidate. Graduates with experience of clerical work in a Government office will be given preference. Applications giving full particulars about age, domicile, educational qualifications, experience, etc., should reach the Director of Industries, Old Custom House Yard, Fort, Bombay, in an envelope marked "TECHNICAL" so as to reach him on or before the 16th March, 1945. (2376)

PUBLIC NOTICES

THE ARYAN CHAMPION INSURANCE CO., LTD.,

BOMBAY.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company at Botawala Building, Elphinstone Circle, Fort, Bombay on TUESDAY, the 10th April, 1945, at 4 P. M. (S. T.) when the following Resolutions will be proposed as Special Resolutions.

SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS.

1. "That Article 101 of the Articles of Association of the Company be deleted."
2. "That the Company doth hereby appoint Mr. Bhogilal H. Patel as the Managing Director of the Company from the 1st August 1944 or from such other date as may be determined on the remuneration and subject to the terms and conditions contained in an agreement a *draft of which is sent to the Company with or without such modifications as may be determined by the Company at such meeting.

N.B.—This meeting is convened pursuant to the requisition received by the Company from certain Shareholders under Sec. 78 of the Indian Companies Act, 1913.

By order of the Board,
D. M. KUMTA,
Manager.

Bombay dated 8th March 1945.

*The draft of the agreement sent to the Company may be inspected by any Shareholder at the Registered Office of the Company during business hours on any working day.

To the Shareholders of the Company and in particular to:— Mr. Naranbhai Mithabhai Patel, Mr. Kalidas Maganbhai Patel, Messrs. Jechand Kachra & Co., Mr. Rambhai Mathurbhai Patel, Mr. Chandubhai Kalidas Patel, Mr. Dahyabhai Hathibhai Patel, Mr. Ambalal Vaghjibhai Patel, Mr. Ravishankar Jeshankar Jani, Mr. Raojibhai Lalaji Patel, Mr. Prabhudas Ishwarbhai Patel, Mr. Shankerbhai Baberbhai Patel, Mr. Purshottam Dayabhai Amin, Mr. Vithalbhai Ishwarbhai Amin, Mr. Himabhai Umedbhai Patel, Mr. Kashibhai B. Patel & Bros., Mr. Amrutlal Fulchand Mehta, Mr. Rambhai Chaturbhai Patel, Mr. Dahyabhai Narshibhai Patel, Mr. Luis Vincent Noronha, Mr. Ishwerbhai Chunibhai Patel.

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THE AHMEDABAD ADVANCE MILLS, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from Friday the 23rd March to Friday the 6th April, 1945, both days inclusive.

AD-INTERIM DIVIDENDS for the half year ended 31st December 1944 at Rs. 2-8-0 per Preference Share and at Rs. 5|- per Ordinary Share, both free of Income-tax, will be paid at the Registered Office of the Company, "Bombay House", Bruce Street, Fort, Bombay, on and after Friday the 13th April 1945, between 11 A.M. and 1 P.M. (S.T.) on Saturdays and between 10-30 A.M. to 1 P.M. and 2 P.M. to 3 P.M. (S.T.) on other week days, to the Shareholders whose names stand on the Register of the Company on 23rd March 1945.

DIVIDEND WARRANTS will be posted to the registered address of the shareholders on Thursday the 12th April 1945.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
TATA SONS, LIMITED,
Managing Agents.
S. D. SAKLATVALA,
Director.

Bombay, 9th March, 1945.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DEPARTMENT OF SUPPLY.

Office of the Controller of Supplies (Disposals), Strand House, Graham Road, Ballard Estate, BOMBAY.

AUCTION NOTICE

LARGE QUANTITIES of salvaged M.T. Parts and accessories of great interest to motor dealers will be sold by public auction at Port Salvage Depot, Haji Bunder, Sewri, Bombay, on Tuesday, the 13th of March, 1945, at 10-30 A.M. The stores to be sold can be viewed at site by previous arrangement with the Manager of the Depot.

Further details can be had from Messrs. Gandhi & Co. Govt. Auctioneers, 72, Medows Street, Fort, Bombay. 2434

NOTICE.

APPLICATIONS in the prescribed form are invited from registered medical practitioners for the post of Honorary Dental Surgeon at the G. T. Hospital, Bombay. Tenure 2 years. Probationary period 1 year. The post does not carry any honorarium.

Candidates will have to produce evidence to show that they possess special qualifications and experience in dentistry suitable for this appointment. For particulars apply with self-addressed and stamped envelope to the Superintendent before 20th March, 1945. The last date of receiving application is 31st March, 1945. Endeavour to enlist support will be a disqualification. (2428)

PUBLIC NOTICES

EMPLOYMENT NOTICE.

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for the post of the Chief Librarian to the Kolhapur Government. The scale of pay of the post is Rs. 150-10-300.

Applicants must be graduates of any Indian University. Preference will be given to persons who have done research work.

The selected candidate will have to undergo training for one year in the University Library, Bombay. During the period of training he shall receive a stipend of Rs. 80|- per annum from the Kolhapur Government to cover his expenses. In addition, he will receive monthly remuneration of Rs. 40|- for the part-time work that he will be required to do in the University Library.

The appointment shall be subject to the candidate's successfully passing the examinat on that will be held at the end of his period of training.

Applications should reach the U|S on or before the 15th March, 1945.

(Sd.) G. B. DESHMUKH,
Education Minister,
Kolhapur State.
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POLICIES Nos. 162536 & 162537 dated 29th October 1910 for Rs. 1,000|- (Rupees one thousand each) granted by the Phoenix Assurance Company, Limited, on the life of Ardeshir Dadabhoy Printer. Will any person having information regarding the above kindly communicate with the Phoenix Assurance Company, Limited, P. O. Box 68, Lucknow. 7530

THE UNION BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED

DIRECTORS' REPORT and STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS for the

Year ended 31st December 1944.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY-SIXTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the Bank will be held on THURSDAY, 5th April, 1945, at 3-30 P.M. (N.S.T.), at the Registered Office of the Bank at Apollo Street, Fort, Bombay, to transact the following business.

1. To receive and adopt the Directors' Report and Audited Balance Sheet for the year ending 31st December 1944.
2. To declare a dividend.
3. To elect Directors in place of the three Directors retiring by rotation. They are eligible for re-election and offer themselves accordingly.
4. To appoint auditors for the ensuing year and to fix their remuneration.

By Order of the Board,
A. J. DOCTOR,
Secretary.

Bombay, 8th March, 1945.

N.B.—Any change in address should be intimated immediately to avoid inconvenience. The Transfer Books of the Bank will be closed from FRIDAY, 16th MARCH TO SATURDAY, 7th APRIL, 1945, both days inclusive.

Dividend, when declared, will be paid only to those shareholders whose names stand in the Registers of the Bank on THURSDAY, 15th MARCH, 1945 and the Dividend Warrants will be posted to Shareholders at their registered address. 2442

THE OSMANSHAHI MILLS, LIMITED,

(Incorporated in Hyderabad-Dn).

NOTICE

SINCE the posting of the Notice convening the 22nd Ordinary General Meeting, and the Directors Report together with the Audited Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Account, a notice has been received by the Co. on 1st March, 1945, duly signed by 4 members authorised to vote intimating to the Company their desire to appoint Messrs. S. B. Billimoria and Co. as joint auditors with Messrs. Nataraja Iyer and Co. and it is likely that the said proposition may be moved at the ensuing general meeting by the signatories to the notice.

C. S. TYABJEE,
Managing Agent,
For the Industrial Trust Fund,
Secretaries, Treasurers & Agents,
H.E.H. The Nizam's Government.
Hyderabad-Dn,
D|6th March, 1945.
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THE BOMBAY ELECTRIC SUPPLY AND TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.

PAYMENT OF DIVIDEND ON ORDINARY SHARES.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Share Transfer Books of this Company will be closed from 23rd March to 7th April 1945, both days inclusive, for the preparation of dividend warrants for the final dividend for the half-year ended 31st December 1944, payable to Ordinary Shareholders whose names stand on its Register on the 22nd March 1945.

Intimation as to change of address should be notified to the Company by shareholders themselves or their constituted attorneys immediately.

By order of the Board,
H. C. ITALIA,
Ag. Secretary.

Bombay, 10th March, 1945. (2440)

PUBLIC NOTICES

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION BOMBAY-SIND.

Applications are invited by 16-4-1945 for post of LECTURER IN MATERIA MEDICA, B. J. MEDICAL SCHOOL, AHMEDABAD. PAY —Rs. 150-400. Higher starting pay admissible. Private practice allowed. AGE—Ordinarily not above 28 for M.B.B.S. and 30 for candidate with post-graduate qualification, subject to relaxation. QUALIFICATION—M.B.B.S. or equivalent qualification. Application form supplied on receipt of large addressed envelope with 3½ annas stamps and UNCROSSED Indian Postal Order for Re. 1 payable to "Secretary, Bombay-Sind Public Service Commission" who will supply full details on request. (2425)

BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY

SETH G. S. MEDICAL COLLEGE, PAREL, BOMBAY 12.

NOTICE.

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED from Registered Medical Practitioners for the following posts at the K. E. M Hospital and Seth G. S. Medical College. Only persons, holding post-graduate qualifications, and with experience in their respective specialities need apply. The terms and conditions attached to the posts will be furnished by the Dean's office on application:—

1. One post of Honorary Lecturer in Psychiatry.
2. One post of Honorary Assistant Surgeon.
3. One post of Honorary Assistant Dermatologist and Venereologist.
4. One post of Honorary Assistant Radiologist.
5. One post of Honorary Assistant Physician.

Applications, on the prescribed form, which can be obtained from the Dean's office on payment of annas eight should reach the undersigned, on or before the 31st March 1945.

Canvassing, directly or indirectly, will disqualify the candidate for appointment.

R. P. KOPPIKAR,
M.S., F.C.P.S. (Bom.)
DEAN.

Parel, Bombay 12.
Dated 3rd March, 1945.
(2424)

NOTICE

THE EASTERN BANK LIMITED

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TRANSFER BOOKS of the Bank will be CLOSED from 14th March to 27th March 1945, both days inclusive. 2430

LEGAL NOTICES

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION

Suit No. 1591 of 1944

THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION of the City of Bombay & anr. ..... Plaintiffs

vs.

RATILAL KAMALSI and anr. ..... Defendants

To,
FRAMROJ BOMANJI SHROFF
Defendant No. 2 in the above suit.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Plaintiffs abovenamed have filed the above suit against you and another for recovery of the sum of Rs. 257-2-0 with interest and costs being the arrears of property taxes due in respect of the property of the 1st Defendant abovenamed situate at Mahim outside the Fort of Bombay and particularly described in Ex. A to the Plaint and for declaring that the said sum is a first charge on the said property in priority to your rights as Fazandar therein and for sale thereof and for Receiver and further and other reliefs.

AND PLEASE ALSO TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that 27th day of March, 1945, has been fixed for the hearing and final disposal of this suit as a Short Cause and in default of your appearance on the said day with all relevant documents, the suit will be heard and decided in your absence.

Seal of the High Court at Bombay

K. K. DASTUR,
For Prothonotary & Senior Master.

Mr. Balvantrai G. Desai,
Plaintiffs' Attorney.
(2427)

HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY

Insolvency No. 113 of 1944

Re: PURSHOTTAMDAS KESHAVLAL, residing at Churchgate Street, Fort, Bombay ..... A Debtor.

Ex parte: CHIRANJILAL RAMCHANDRA LOYALKA
Petitioning Creditor.

On the 6th day of February, 1945, an order was made by the High Court of Judicature at Bombay in its Insolvency Jurisdiction adjudging the abovenamed Debtor an Insolvent.

Dated this 8th day of March, 1945.

INSOLVENCY REGISTRAR,
(2441)

PUBLIC NOTICES

FOR SALE

SCRAP OF BRONZE, brass, aluminium, etc., also electrolytic copper wire, lead sheets, white metal, sanitary glass panes. Tender closes on 20th March, 1945 Apply for tender form to General Manager, Tata Power Co., Ltd., Bombay House, Fort, Bombay (2365)

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that KHAN BAHADUR RUSTOMJI DOSSABHOY MISTRY of Bombay Parsi Inhabitant has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client. Any person having any claim against or to the said property of whatsoever kind is hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at 36, Tamarind Lane Fort, Bombay, within FOURTEEN DAYS from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY:

ALL THAT piece of land of the Quit and Ground Rent Tenure the Cess whereof has been redeemed, admeasuring 384 square yards situate, lying and being at Bellasis Junction Road and Tembker Street and bearing Collector's New Nos. A 9830 and A2 9830, New Survey Nos. 3794 and A 3796 and C. S. No. 1343 of the Byculla Division together with the dwelling house standing thereon and Municipal 12(E) Ward No. 685, Street Nos. 33-39, Dimtikar Road and bounded, on the North-East by the said Bellasis Junction Road, on the South-East by the property of Rustom Sorabji Paowalla and on the West by the said Tembker Street.

Dated this 9th day of March, 1945.

GULAMALI NOORANI & CO.,
Purchaser's Attorneys.
2435

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that Messrs. VENILAL CHHOTALAL, SHANTILAL CHHOTALAL, RAMNIKLAL CHHOTALAL and HIRALAL CHHOTALAL for themselves and as Managers of their respective joint families all of Bombay and Ghatkopar Hindu Inhabitants have contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our clients:—

All persons having any claim against the said property are requested to make the same known in writing to the undersigned within 10 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed and the claim, if any, will be considered as waived.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY

ALL THAT piece or parcel of land or ground with the building standing thereon in the Modi Bay Imperial Estate situate lying and being at the Junction of Frere Road and Goa Street in the Registration sub-District and District of Bombay containing by admeasurement 444-4.0 square yards or thereabouts and assessed by the Collector of Bombay under New Survey No. 24 2480 Cadastral Survey No. 1147 Fort Division and the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under "A" Ward No. 1901(1) and Street No. 272, 49 to 53.

Dated this 8th day of March, 1945.

AMBUBHAI & DIWANJI,
Purchaser's Attorneys.
Lentin Chambers, Dalal Street, Fort, BOMBAY.
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